Straw in the Manger.

It is not at all difficult to rot down a straw pile, and by so doing germinate and kill most of the weed seed contained therein; by making the stack very flat, so as to catch much water, it rots rapidly, and so soon as it gets thoroughly wetted, by repiling, it soon heats and decays. But the stack or pile of straw at best only contains carbon and silica in quantities, and these are the most common and least valuable of all the elements of plant food. The quantity of potash, nitrogen and phosphoric acid is very small indeed, and there is no method by which this pile of straw can in any way be changed into manure containing any more of these elements than were in the stack originally. If we tread this pile down it will only be a pile of wet straw, and if we rot ever so thoroughly rotten staw, and st best little better than so much swamp muck.

It is only by the use of straw as an absorbent, and as a coarse food for fat-It is not at all difficult to rot down a

It is unfortunate for any man to be so situated that he can not afford to raise stock to eat up and tread down the straw, and to be fed richer foods, so situated that he can not afford to raise stock to eat up and tread down the straw, and to be fed richer foods, so as to make a full supply of richer manure. With any system of farming we now have, the land must sooner or later become exhausted and cease to yield profitable crops if we fail to return to the soil the essential elements of plant food removed in such crops.—

New York Tribune.

of Connecticut, who has long resided in Missouri. He was a prominent before the war, was a member of Congress, and served as chairman of the committee of ways and means. In 1876 he was elected governor of Missouri, and has since been a prominent aspirant for a seat in the senate.

The Blue and the Gray.

Farmers and Poultry.

half, to be had annually than can be realized from the pigs or sheep on a farm. And yet the latter are fed and housed and bred everywhere to the entire neglect, almost, of fowl stock. Our farmers will do well to look into the merits of this thing. Good fowls of any of the improved breeds may now be had at a reasonable price. And we sincerely recommend this matter to the careful consideration of those who have the facilities at hand to rear good poultry at a remunerative rate, but Women everywhere use Parker's who have neglected this well-paying branch of rural economy.—Home ed by experience that it overcomes de-

The Cherokee Rose.

The legend of the Cherokee rose is as pretty as the flower itself. An In-dian chief of the Seminole tribe was taken prisoner by his enemies, the Cherokees, and doomed to torture but became so seriously ill that it became necessary to wait for his restoration to necessary to wait for his restoration to health before committing him to the fire. And as he lay prostrated by disease in the cabin of the Cherokee warrior, the daughter of the latter, a young dark-faced maid, was his nurse. She fell in love with the young cheftain and wishing to save his life urged him to escape, but he would not do so unless she would flee with him. She consented. Yet before she had gone far, impelled by the soft regret of far, impelled by the soft regret of leaving home, she asked permission of her lover to return home, for the purher lover to return home, for the purpose of bearing away some memento of it. So, retracing her footsteps she broke a twig from the white rose which climbed up the poles of her father's tent, and preserved it during the flight through the wilderness, and planted it by the door of her new home in the land of the Semenoles. and from that day this beautiful flower has always been known between the capes of Florida and throughout the capes of Florida and throughout the Southern States by the name of Cherokee rose.

BEET ROOT SUGAR .- It may be that the time has not come yet for our peo-ple to take hold of the beet root sugar question in carnest, and that when it does come, it will prove a profitable and permanent interest. In spite of the partial failures here in some localities we must not think it cannot be made to pay, for we must remember that the establishment of the beet sugar industry in France and Germany was the out come of not one year, but twenty years, of careful scientific work. Many experiments proved failures, and many men were found who said from the first that the manufacture of sugar from beets was a commercial impossibi But in spite of adverse criticisms, partial failures and the opposition of many interested parties, the bect-sugar industry did succeed, and to day two fifths of the sugar consumed by the civilized world is manufactured, at a profit, from sugar beets. France today has reason to be thankful that she steadily preserved in her enterprise, and made a success of a business which has since added millions of dollars to her treasury.—Tribune & Farmer.

Poultry.

Rev. J. M. Huntting, Jamaica L. I says: I have had the care of poultry most of the last seventy years. I buy most of their feed. I find from keeping a debit and credit account, (this ac ount now by me,) that for every dollar l pay for feed I get two dollars' worth of eggs. My neighbor, Mr. Cashier Crane, says it is a good investment. I had a dominick hen which had a fine brood of chickers and then laid eighty nice eggs before she offered to sit again. I have a yellow Brahma now laying which has exceeded that number. I have no trouble with hen lice, as I scatter air-slacked lime in their nests, on their perches and about the hennery. I have not lost a chicker with gaps in many years, as I feed them onward from hatching with cracked corn daily. This keeps the worms out of their throats. Some of my neighbors who had lost forty in a short time took my hint and lose no

TARIFF COMMISSION. The President sent the following

swamp muck.

It is only by the use of straw as an absorbent, and as a coarse food for fattening animals, and by using with it much rich food, such as corn, bran, oil or cotton seed meal, etc., that we can change it into a manure that shall really be very valuable to use, and that will largely increase the group, where will largely increase the crops where used. We must not expect that we can raise crops of grain year after year, and sell the most valuable part, and by any method turn the straw into a manure that shall keep up the fertility of the soil, if we manure only with straw we must expect to grow only straw upon the land.

It is unfortunate for any man to be

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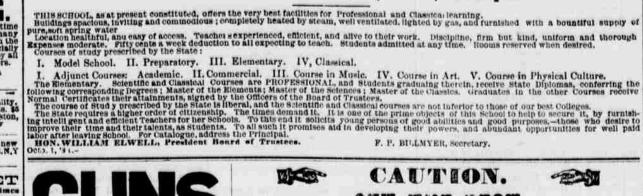
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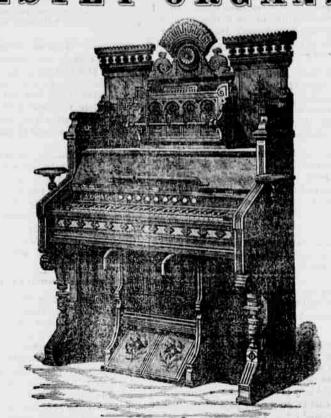
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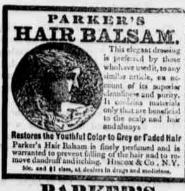
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