

Clean Fields and Heavy Crops.

There are two drawbacks in the methods largely adopted by the farmers of this country in the cultivation during the first half of the season. These methods involve the needless expenditure of labor and permit an extensive growth of weeds. The surface of the soil is not broken or stirred often enough. A frequent pulverization would accomplish two very important uses, namely, the destruction of the young weeds and an increased growth of the crops. We have shown on former occasions the importance of destroying weeds just as they are commencing growth, and even before they have reached the surface of the ground, when the minute and tender sprouts are broken by a touch of the pulverizing instrument. The experiment was tried a few years ago of passing the steed once weekly over a given measured surface in the garden, and allowing alongside an equal acre to become covered with a growth of weeds from six inches to a foot high before killing them. A record was made by the watch of the time consumed by each method. During the two months of growth it was necessary to pass the steel rake eight times over the surface; but this was done so rapidly that only one half of the time and labor were consumed than were required to clear out once the tall weeds from the growing crop. The crop made one half more growth by the first method, and the seeds of the weeds in the surface soil were thoroughly destroyed by the eight operations. A successful farmer, on those rich fields about 50 bushels of corn per acre were obtained by ordinary manure, assures us that by passing the cultivator once a week between the rows, until the corn was as high as the horse's back, he had increased the crop to between 60 and 70 bushels per acre.

A radical improvement would be made on many farms by the adoption of the practice of keeping the surface-crust of the soil constantly broken, and by never allowing your weeds to seed. By thus clearing the farm with foul seeds, in a few years the costly labor of hand weeding would be nearly superseded. To accomplish this result it is necessary to secure the best modern tools for cultivating the crops. The work should be commenced before the young weeds have reached the surface. Potatoes, for instance, are some weeks in the soil before coming up, and during this period the ground should be kept harrowed, the operation being repeated as often as the young weeds in the soil have presented the harrowing breaking the sprouts and killing the weeds just as they are starting to grow. In this way the foul stuff may be materially reduced. The harrowing may be continued after the potatoes have reached the surface, and have grown some inches, without injury to them. Corn may be harrowed once before it comes up; and with a fine, slant tooth harrow the operation may be continued every five days till the plants are nearly a foot high. This will obviate the necessity of hand weeding. After this, the one horse cultivator may pass several times, running shallow so as not to tear the roots, setting the reversible teeth first to throw the earth away from the row of corn, and next time against the row, a very shallow ridge being sufficient to cover the young weeds as they are just appearing; there will be no large ones if the previous work has been promptly attended to. We have adopted this course—of first harrowing and then cultivating from and towards the row, and left the field as clear as a floor without any hand-hoeing. The repeated stirring of the soil and keeping the crust broken, gave a handsome crop of corn—decidedly larger than when the whole tract consisted of one or two dressings with the cultivator and laborious hoeing with the hoe.—Country Gentleman.

Farming and Farm Work.

Undoubtedly the cultivation of the soil and the raising of flocks and herds may always be depended upon to furnish a living, and there is, therefore, no very great risk in the enterprise. In view of the crowded condition of all other pursuits this one may be safely relied on as an unfailing resource at all times. Few regions have been more rapidly settled than have been Illinois, Missouri, Kansas and Iowa, with farmers and stock raisers since 1860. Hence the westward migratory movement of the population will again produce general activity. For this emigration will part a large amount of money in active circulation, cause a large increase in railroad travel and freights, relieve the overburdened labor markets of the seaboard, and create new markets for capital and merchandise. The conditions are much more favorable to agricultural emigrant now than formerly, because the railroad charges have been so adjusted that produce can be profitably shipped or sold at the most remote and isolated points. Land is everywhere cheap and accessible, and railroads traverse immense regions. Our country is so boundless that to talk of the public domain being all exhausted, as do so many pretentious writers, is the height of folly. There is still land in all the states in such quantities that no one need want farm tracts in vain. And although the cry "West" has long since grown stale and hackneyed, the West still remains a boundless wilderness in immense ocean—in which the settlements resemble the Pacific islands, Maine, New Jersey and West Virginia alone would accommodate all the emigration for the next five years. Pennsylvania has been for fifty years a ceaseless fountain of emigration, and yet it herself admires and never makes any headway. If they were to spread abroad even throughout the Middle states they would find abundant employment upon the farms. We venture to say to-day among farmers alone in these states a half-million of farm hands could find plenty of work at much higher wages, and with much better living than they ever received at home.—Germantown Telegraph.

Boys and Girls on the Farm.

The great secret of retaining young people on the farm, the homestead, consists in making these rural homes something beyond the abode of hard toil, cloudy vicissitudes and compound interest. Every possible means must be resorted to to make the place attractive to these young people, and to have the boys and girls who do not suffer at the village gathering in comparison with those of their old playmates who are studying for college or a profession. There is no reason why the Sunday and holiday clothing of the sons and daughters who do not suffer at the village gathering in comparison with those of their old playmates who are studying for college or a profession. There is no reason why the Sunday and holiday clothing of the sons and daughters who do not suffer at the village gathering in comparison with those of their old playmates who are studying for college or a profession. There is no reason why the Sunday and holiday clothing of the sons and daughters who do not suffer at the village gathering in comparison with those of their old playmates who are studying for college or a profession.

Farmers' children should also be encouraged to attend meetings of farmers' clubs and agricultural societies, and premiums should be awarded for their labor and skill. The boy who drives the best broken-down horse, or who shows the best handled colt, or who shows the best poultry or pigeons, and the girl who brings the best loaf of bread, the sweetest butter, the most ingenious made patch-work quilt, the neatest darned rent, or the best made shirt, feel a pride in their respective premiums, and bear their name announced, which does much to bind them to the homestead. Such awards and honorable distinctions enlist "Young America" into the ranks of the yeomanry and make the cultivation of the soil a happy care should be taken that the boys and girls on the farm do not have to wear their parents' out-donned clothes, and to toil with worn-out tools and household labor appliances.

Work—work—work! From work education to come, Work—work—work! As prisoners work for crime, So boys and girls should work for fame, And the heart is sick and the arm benumbed Till the heart is sick and the arm benumbed Till the heart is sick and the arm benumbed Till the heart is sick and the arm benumbed.

Indians Who Are Shrewd Buyers. I watched some Indians shopping and was astonished to see how invariably they waived aside inferior goods and chose such material as marinas at \$1.50 to \$2 a yard. One of the merchants told me it was useless to offer them anything but the best. An Indian, who could not speak English or French, and wanted five things, divided according to his idea of their relative cost in little piles on the counter, and pointing through a pantomime descriptive of his wants, he handed some silk handkerchiefs. Taking one up he felt it, held it up to the light, and throwing it aside shook his head vigorously, muttering an "Ugh" of disgust. When shown a better one he was doubtful; but a much superior article being produced, he took, and willingly handed over one pile for it. That, however, was too much, and when given the change he put it on one of the other piles, and proceeded in the same way to make the rest of his purchases. "How easily they could be cheated," I said to the clerk, after the Indian had left. "No," he replied, "not so easily as it would appear." They generally come in from their camps in great numbers, and create a great deal of business for the clerk. They go to different shops and on their return compare notes as to the cost and quality of their goods. Then if one has paid more than another or has been cheated in quality, he will never enter that shop again, and a firm that gives the greatest bargains is most patronized on their return.—Miss Fitzgibbon's book on Montana.

Professor Green tells his colored brethren that what they need is common sense, not conventions. "Every man is not honest because he is poor." He's more honest to poor because he's honest.—[N. Y. News.

The proposition is made in Boston to have a school holiday in the middle of the week, instead of Saturday, after their comparative inerts an external reward. It is a delicate matter, and one that is not to be taken lightly. It is a delicate matter, and one that is not to be taken lightly. It is a delicate matter, and one that is not to be taken lightly.

For BREAKFAST—A good breakfast dish can be prepared from the remains of yesterday's dinner, providing that consisted in part of roast mutton, Chop it fine, and put it in a soupçon with a cup of gravy or of soup stock, season with pepper and salt, and scatter over it, stirring all the time, a tablespoonful of flour; let the meat set, and gradually, and when "boiling hot," dip the chop on the back part of the stove, and poach some eggs to serve with the meat. When the eggs are done, put the meat on a platter and lay the eggs around the edge. With fried potatoes, mufins and good coffee, a wholesome breakfast may be provided at small expense.

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