### FARM, GARDEN & HOME

The best tools are cheapest because they accomplish more and cause less wear and tear and swear than poor

Give verbenss a rather rich but light soil if you wish to have vigorous plants producing an abundance of trusses of flowers.

is higher in those countries than it is hare. Among the troubles induced by over-indulgence in "the weed" are dis-eases of the optic nerve, weak action of You will be likely to save trouble by speaking kindly to your horses ev-ery time you approach them in the stable or elsewhere. condition of the mucous membrane at the back of the threat, and general

If you wish to raise a good many fowls you must keep them in separate, small flocks Large numbers do not Sourish well together. The market grower is liable to make

a great mistake who overlooks the neighboring home market trusting to Lampblack mixed with strong vine-

be a poison to certain people—especially those of highly nervous temperament; while phiegmatic persons may venture much farther. Smoking on gar will mark sheep so that it will remain a year, and will not injure the wool as do tar and paint. an empty stomach, or using very strong tobacco, are both to be avoided. Dr. Shaw is of the opinion that the This is the time of the year to feed sunflower seeds to the hens, as the seeds will assist them to molt. Feed

the seeds three times a week. A strawberry patch set out now, the plants being rooted runners of this year growth, will give a moderate crop of fruit next spring—far better than

Undertake to cultivate no more than you can manage well, and increase chewing tobacco a man is far more your acres as you increase your ability, and your acres and ability will increase step by step.

The theory that lims beans will ger minate if placed in the ground edge-wise is refuted by Professor Halstead, who has conducted a series of experiments in order to determine the claim. He is of the opinion that the seeds should be laid flat on their sides.

By plowing two furrows on each side of the hedge not only will the roots be shortened but the loosening of the soil will benefit the hedge as well as clean the surface of the ground. While a hedge fence well kept is very attractive, the harboring of weeds at its base makes the farm yery unsightly.

tobacco, in common with all other stimulants, is not harmful unless used Race-horses are fed on the clean blades of cornfodder in some stables, as it is free from dust. The stalk of corn is stripped of its blades by hand, and the blades are then tied into a the editor of the Tobacco Leaf. H states that the smoking of cigars has increased remarkably of late; and that the five-cent cigar of to-day is as good as that which cost twice as much ten small bundle, which is bung on the stalk to cure. It never touches the ground, and is consequently free of

Feed out the new corn slowly at first, using old corn in preference, so as to allow the new crop to dry and thoroughly ripen. New corn sometimes does injury to stock when fed out too freely, and the proper mode is to begin its use gradually. If the old corn is out give oats with the new corn, with plenty of chopped hay or straw.

The fence corners are the pest-holes of the farm. From them spring near-ly all the weed seeds and undesirable grasses which are scattered over the fields. Rail fences are expensive on account of the ground they occupy and the weeds they protect. If necessary, the hoe should be brought into requistion to clean out the spaces along the

It is useless to save seed from large, first class melons if more varieties than as no reliability can be placed on such seed next season. Not only will varieties of watermelous mix, but it is unsafe to grow them in the nighborhood of pumpkins. Corn of different varieties will also mix, even when separated at great discances.

"Well, I guess I'll take him. I'm agent for Hollerwell & Showpoor's Anti-European circus, and we need another buffale for our 'wild west' depart-An inquirer asks how to destroy the Canadian thistle. As stated previously, they must be kept down as fast as they appear. By preventing growth of leaves (the lungs of plants) they black you wouldn't know your calf. I will be smothered. It is a persistent plant, and two or three seasons may be required to eradicate it, but if the young shoots are destroyed as soon as they appear the plant cannot live.

The farmer who will keep a flock of 25 or 30 hens with the usual accompaniment of 100 or more lively chicks, and will allow them to share his domain in common with bimself, his other stock and farm utensils, will find perplexity and most abominable company at every torn. The hen at large, in her multiplied form, is worse than any army of locusts, and her following as offensive as a pestilence. ny at every torn. The hen at large,

The sweet pepper is a neat, upright growing shrub, with light green leaves, fine white flowers, and has a delightful fragrance. It is a native of the New England States, and has for several years attracted the attention of beeteepers as a shrub to furnish bees with at a time when flowers are scarce. It can be successfully transplanted, and will grow on all soils from gravely loam to black peat, as well as ne or slate soils.

exactly like the spurs of a game cock. The body of the calf is large and well Fowls are machines to produce eggs formed. The short hind legs give the calf the appearance of a giraffe when and flesh, and we might as well expect cloth from a factory that has no wool or cotton as to expect eggs from hens not supplied with food. Liberal feeding means liberal profits; fowls scant ily fed pay scanty profits; neglect means loss of what you do give them. As a rule feed well or kill the flock. This should be the rule, for the results are as sure to follow as day is sure to

No mill grinds more regularly, said the late Ben: Perley Poor, than the stomach of a healthy pig; hence there must be great regularity in times of feeding, and great care that the quan The practice of compelling pigs "to root little pig, or die, from 2 months old to the time when they are to be put up to fatten is not economical. Time and feed are lost in this practice, and the risks are increased.

Commencing upon the fact that in outbreaks of swine plague some ani-mals in every herd escape, a writer in the Indian Farmer concludes that the only intelligent explanation of some animals resisting the microbes alto gether, or else having but a slight at tack of disease, is that they are possessed of unusai vigor; in other words, are in a high state of health. And this bodily condition is secured by hy-gienic and sanitary conditions.

The experiment of sowing winter wheat so late in the fall that it will not come up until the spring is not tried so often as formerly. Of late years farmers have got into the habit of sowing carly to hasten the harvest, the late wheat being more injured by the midge. But in very severe winters probably the safest way to keep the crop from winter killing is to sow very late, and to have but little above ground to be injured. No amount of top can save the ground from freezing, and if the roots are to be loosened the less top there is to dry and exhaust their vitality the better for the crop.

### Is Smoking Injurious ?

The physicians are again discussing the subject whether or not tobacco is injurious to the health. It is the abuse, not the use, which is to be avoided. It cannot be said that Americans smoke excessively, comparing them with Spanairds Mexicans and Cubans; nor, indeed, is it foun I that the death rate

of the heart, known a "tobacco heart,"

rritation of the stomach, an irritable

damage to the nervous system. In some cases it has brought on writer's

oramp, steel pen palsy, telegrapher's cramp, and pianist's cramp. The barm-fainess, however depends largely upon the organization of individuals. It may

smoker inhales thus a large quantity of smoke, which, being chiefly com-posed of carbonic acid, carbonic oxide

in a state of gas, and nicotine, is one of those things not wholesome to swal-low. Both physicians agree that

cigarette smoking is likely to dwarf

the growth of a boy, and retard the

development of the nervous system; a growing youth not being able to bear the stimulants which would have no

The conclusion arrived at is, that

The series closes with an article by

years ago. He does not consider that

any danger lurks either in the cigar-

ette or rice paper wrapper; the latter being manufactured of rice, straw, lin-

en, cotton or other vegetable matter.

The Circus Wild West.

About two weeks ago a Dakota far-mer was approached by a stranger, who

"What will you take for that little short-horned yearling out there in the yard?" "Bout \$15."

"No danger of butting a fellow over with his head?"

ment. By the time we put a hump on

boys off their horses, disabled two Buffalo Bills and drove Texas Jack,

the Western terror, up the centre-pole. He acted so we had to tie him up with

the elephants, give bim a cost of red

paint and call him the terrible man-

tral Africa at great expense and loss of

life. Do you suppose the calf will drink milk?—the sacred cow gives a little more than the zebra will take."—

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Neuralgia

Dakota Bell.

eating joggle-wock, captured in Cen-

him whenever they take a notion."

"Not a bit-my children play with

pernicious effect upon a man.

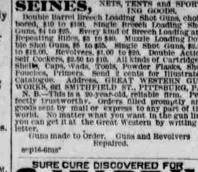
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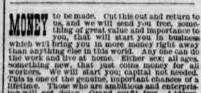
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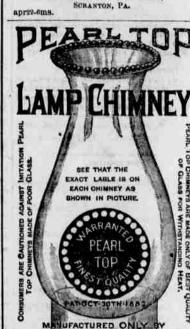
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