

How the Weather is Foretold.

In former times, the chief herald of the weather was the almanac, which ambitiously prophesied a whole year of cold and heat, wet and dry, dividing up the kinds of weather quite impartially, if not always correctly.

But the almanac, good as it was now and then, and the weather-wise farmers, correct as sometimes they might have been, were not always able to impart exact information to the country; and they have been thrown quite into the shade of late, by one who is popularly known under the somewhat disrespectful title of "Old Prob."

Every one who reads the daily paper is familiar with the "Weather Record," issued from the "War Department Office of the Chief Signal Officer," at Washington.

We shall see, presently, how the weather interprets itself to "Old Probabilities." Although it has proved such a fruitful subject of discourse in all ages, yet I am afraid many people who pass remarks upon it, do not really think that the weather is made of water and any other fluid, although it seems to be perfectly bodiless.

Besides this, the air contains a great amount of moisture, and it shows as much variation in this characteristic as in the others. For the purpose of making known the changes in the moisture of the atmosphere, an instrument has been invented called a "wet-bulb" thermometer.

It is by a right understanding of all these instruments that the signal service officer is enabled to tell what the weather says of itself; for they are the pens with which the weather writes out the facts from which the officer makes up his reports for the benefit of all concerned.

MANAGE.—The following is a safe and most effective remedy: White (cream) oil, six ounces; oil of turpentine, three ounces; the sulphur, two ounces. The skin should be thoroughly washed before the remedy is applied.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS.—A lady writes as follows to an exchange: "Dissolve a large tablespoonful of borax in a pint of boiling water. Mix one-quarter of it in the water in which the wool is to be washed. Put in one piece of goods at a time, using soap if needed and if necessary add more of the borax water.

How to PRESERVE ICE.—During illness ice is generally needed in the sickroom. The following method of preserving it is highly recommended, and is certainly worth trying: Cut a piece of flannel about nine inches square, and secure it by a ligature round the mouth of an ordinary tumbler, so as to leave a cup-shaped depression of flannel within the tumbler to about half its depth.

FARMERS.—Adam was a farmer in Paradise; Job, the honest, upright, and obedient, was a farmer; St. Luke was a farmer, and is popularly believed to have been the first who subjected the ox to the use of man; Socrates was a farmer, and so was Cincinnatus; Burns was a farmer, and the muse found him at the plow; Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Randolph, Lincoln, beside a vast number of other great and representative men, were farmers.

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Wedding presents, now so common in the first stage of matrimony, have come down from the feudal system. In almost all parts of the civilized world such things are given and received, and I might add—expected.

In a start in married life certain necessities in the way of furniture, napery, crockery, and so on, were always acceptable. Rich people and feudal lords would not object, on the bridal of their daughters, to receive presents from their vassals.

In the different countries there are different modes. The penny wedding in Scotland, of which Wilkie gave a lively and accurate idea in one of his domestic paintings, are peculiar. Invited guests make a contribution in money. (One shilling is the general tribute, and half a crown is a princely offering.)

In Germany there is the "par wedding," at which the bride receives her guests with a basin before her, each person depositing a jewel, silver spoon or piece of money, at the same time apologizing for the donation being so far below value, compared with the angel's deserts.

SAGACITY OF A NEWFOUNDLAND DOG.—A large Newfoundland dog in Glasgow, Scotland, has added one more instance to the many on record of the extraordinary sagacity of dogs. Being sometimes rather fond of fun, he required to receive occasional discipline, and for that purpose a whip shaft was kept beside him. He evidently did not like this article, and was found occasionally with it in his teeth moving slyly toward the door.

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