

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

They soak their potatoes before frying them in Russia. Mannes make the man, and nowhere can good breeding so readily be seen as at the table.

A New England experimenter finds that feeding apples to milk cows invariably lessens the flow of milk.

On light, spongy soils it will benefit horses to allow them to go unshod for a while, especially when they have tender feet.

Remember that the woman throws on her horse surrounding the sunshine or the shadow which exists in her own soul.

Teething, feverish children can often be quieted by bathing in warm water in which a large teaspoonful of salutaris has been dissolved.

Grass seed is not easily killed, and for that reason may be sown as early as may be desired. The main object should be to select clean seed.

Quite a large amount of early lettuce may be grown by sowing the seed in a cold frame, and thinning the plants out while they are very small.

A gilded palm leaf fan with a pocket or bag of silk, velvet or plush attached to it makes an odd but pretty receptacle for photographs, cards or fancy work.

When a wash boiler begins to rust and is still too good to cast aside, make a good sized bag of strong muslin or old bed ticking, put the clothes to be boiled into it, and so save them from rust.

Fences cost on most farms each year more than taxes, and they are becoming more and more costly as material gets scarce. The true policy is to take up interior fences so far as practicable.

Before using new earthenware, place in a kettle with cold water, and heat gradually until it boils; then let it remain until the water is cold; it will not be so liable to crack if treated in this manner.

Most farmers have learned that cut hay or even straw, wet and sprinkled with meal, is better feed for working horses than whole grain and hay.

In this shape the nutriment in the feed is easily assimilated.

Tomatoes trained to stakes give the sweetest fruit and remain in bearing the longest; but many cultivators who grow for size and quantity only, believe they have the best results when growing them on the level ground.

A calf will thrive on milk after the cream has been taken off. It is better fed to them sweet and warm, as it chills the stomach and draws from the vitality of the animal to warm the cold milk just from the creamery.

Divide your rhubarb plants at the roots and make a new location for them. This should be done in the fall or very early in the spring. Put them in very rich ground with the buds about one or two inches below the surface.

Tables that have been neglected may be bleached by spreading on them overnight a layer of wood ashes made into a mortar like paste with water; then brush it off and scrub. The same paste may be laid on floors when spotted with grease.

All small apples and those defective in form or damaged by worms, being their best market on the farm as food for animals. If packed in with sound fruit, even in small proportion, they reduce the price of all even to the point of loss.

For breakfast fritters, take one cup of cold boiled rice, one pint of flour, one teaspoonful of salt, two eggs beaten light, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, stirred into the flour, and enough milk to make a thick batter. Fry like griddle cakes.

Boil parsnips until tender, then strain and mash fine. Warm in a stew pan a little milk, a lump of butter, pepper and salt, then add the parsnips; place in the dish in which they are to be served, smooth the top nicely, brush over with beaten egg and put in a hot oven to brown.

In order to guard against flies, the stable should be thoroughly cleaned often. A sprinkling of the floors with a mixture of a teaspoonful of carbolic acid and two gallons of water, will disinfect the stall, while the manure heap may also receive an application with advantage.

To compel Brahmas and Cochins to roost high is cruelty. They not only have difficulty in getting on but also in getting off. All roosts should be made low and on the same level. There is no necessity for having them high, and as nearly all diseases of the feet arise from high roosts, they should be abolished.

This is how the Germans are said to get rid of rats: A mixture of two parts of well-bruised common squills and three parts of finely chopped bacon is made into a stiff mass with as much meal as may be required, and then baked in small cakes, which are put down for the rat to eat. It proves an exterminator to the rodents.

A good way to keep a cow's tail still while milking, is to provide a rope strap long enough to pass over the animal's hips, and hang down over her tail. The rope may be ever so old, as strength is not needed, but should be three inches or more in circumference, as it must have weight. It can be changed from cow to cow as fast as you can walk.

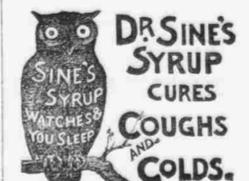
Too many housekeepers think they need not sweep oilcloths or floors if they are going to wash them; the result is a cloudy, half-cleaned look. Once in a while, every fourth week, perhaps, the water used for washing stained or hard wood floors should be hot and have a tablespoon of turpentine and the same of oil in it, the cloth to be wrung out of this and used to wipe the floors.

The true French polish is one pint of spirits added to a quart of an ounce of gum copal, the same of gum arabic and one ounce of shellac. This polish is used for plain wood that has been stained in imitation of natural wood. The principle of action is the floating with oil the porous or resinous substances into the pores and bringing the polish up by rubbing. The simplest varnish is a solution of shellac in naphtha.

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Germany manufactures 540,000 real and 500,000 imitation meerschaums, and wooden pipes and clay bowls in great variety are made by millions.

A railway car is being built of steel by Boston experimenters. It will be heated by hot air pipes. A compressible platform will render telescoping impossible.

Oxide of iron is found to be an adhesive and durable cement for uniting iron surfaces. With it a joint can be made that will resist an equal pressure with the iron itself.

The project of using electricity for locomotive headlights has met with a poor reception at the hands of the engineers, owing to its demoralizing effect upon their timepieces.

A deposit of iron, so pure that it can be used without smelting, has been discovered in Arkansas. The deposit is of vast extent, the outcrop being two miles in length, thirty feet in width, and very deep.

When swallows fly low, wet weather may be expected, because the insects which the swallows pursue in their flight are flying low to escape the moisture of the upper regions of the atmosphere.

Electricity is to be used by a French inventor in the bleaching of paper pulp. He will use a solution of chloride of magnesium through which the current passes, removing divers oxychlorides and thus bleaching the fiber.

The quota of 100,000 seals allowed by the Government to be taken annually from St. George and St. Paul, could be easily increased to twice as many without danger of extermination.

As a feat of engineering, the tunnels of the St. Gothard and Mont Cenis have been surpassed by a tunnel near Schemnitz, in Hungary. It is 10 1/2 miles long, about 10 feet high, and 5 broad. It has taken nearly a century to complete it, and cost \$5,000,000.

A remarkable piece of mechanism is shown in the production of a miniature steamship. It is a model of the "City of Worcester," a Norwich line boat, running from New York to Providence.

In the Italian language, the word Riviera stands for either seacoast, river valley or country; but in a general way when used without qualification, the term is applied or understood to apply to that part of the west coast of Italy which lies along the Gulf of Genoa, extending from Nice to Leghorn, or more accurately speaking, from Ventimiglia to Spezia.

The stock interests are suffering as well as others from depression in prices. Stock cattle are now, in price, at a point so near the cost of production that the margin for profit is but slight.

The losses of cattle by the severity of this winter's storms have been heavy, and the reported number of stock cattle shows a loss rather than a gain in numbers.

The business of the county warrants better prices than stock now receives. The outlook is encouraging. Business interests are reviving, and labor will be more in demand and the consumption of beef increase. This will revive the temporary depression in the cattle trade.

FROM LIFE TO DEATH.

In answer to those who ask what your Athliphors has done for me, I will say it has done wonderful work. I have suffered from rheumatism for eighteen years more or less, and sometimes not able to put my clothes on or eat alone.

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The Chinese Theory of Medicine.

According to Kwong Shan, a Chinese doctor in St. Louis, by the Celestial theory of medicine, which partakes much of the nature of their theology and philosophy, man is closely associated with and influenced by the external world.

The combination of the blood and the breath, they hold, constitute life, and the withdrawal of one of these means death. With all this fanciful theory there is also woven into the system, in a manner utterly inexplicable, the belief in the androgynous nature of all things, that everything is part male and part female.

The heart is the centre of thought, the brain being in the Chinese physiology, but an inferior part of the man. There is no chemistry required in a Chinese doctor. Pretty near everything that comes to hand is medicinal in its nature, and the Chinese pharmacopoeia is as extensive as their dictionary would be if they had one, for no word will express more than one idea.

The father of Chinese medicine was Shun Nong, and he lived about 8,000 years ago, being a sort of Emperor, or prince, or demi-god. Shun Nong was not made like an ordinary mortal. He was transparent, and could see right through himself. Whenever anything went wrong with him he just looked into himself to see what was the matter, and then took his medicine and marked how the dose got to the spot.

During the Fenian fiasco in Ireland twenty years ago a wild Irish-American named Driscoll, with a splendid record as a soldier during the war of the rebellion, was locked up in Kilmainham jail in Dublin. He was a member of the fraternity, and many of his companions were boarding in the same establishment at the expense of her majesty.

Only a few out of the number arrested could be brought to trial, for there was little or no evidence against them. Driscoll was an incorrigible prisoner. He played practical jokes upon the jail officials, assaulted keepers, and was constantly getting into trouble. He often received "cells"—that is a bread and water cure in a dark cell—for terms of from three to ten days. Worn out at last, he promised to reform, but when an effort was made to get the points of his testimony for the Crown prosecutor's brief, he refused bluntly to tell anything, saying that he would reform everything, when once on the stand.

He was taken to court. One of his companions was on trial. A murmur of rage ran through the spectators when the informer appeared in the witness box. It seemed to amuse him, for it made him smile. The oath was administered to him. He kissed the Bible with a reverencing smack and then the examination proceeded as follows:

Q—Do you know the prisoner at the bar? A—I don't see no bar, I am sorry to say.

His Lordship—Witness! No levity here, sir! This is no place for joking, proceed.

Q (by the attorney-general)—Do you know this man? (pointing to the prisoner.) A—No, I never seen him before in my life. Anyhow I didn't come here to talk about the people I know. I came here to get a good square opportunity to tell the public that the grub we get up there in that old jail isn't fit for a dog.

His Lordship—Go down, sir. I'll deal with you presently!

It took four policemen to drag Driscoll out of the witness box. He never tried his hand at informing afterward.

—The tailor may not make the man, but he has considerable influence in shaping him.

—People do not like to acknowledge their own weaknesses. They are not, however, unwilling to acknowledge the weaknesses of others.

—Politics is not "bad business," as some people seem to imagine, or as they often express themselves. It is the "bad business" introduced into politics that is bad.

—A well-known minister, speaking at a convention in Boston, said: "We want also another law passed, talked, written up, preached everywhere; and that is the law of individual self-control, which makes a man feel his responsibility to other men."

—Newspapers bustles are now made of back numbers. It is pretty tough to think that a man's best journalistic efforts shall be thus at upon. It crushes all the glory out of the profession, remarks the Petersburg News, and were it not that an editor can feel that he has not only brightened a woman's mind, but improved her shape, he might well throw up the sponge in disgust and retire from a world of bustle and deception.

—An old Irishman occupied the barber's chair the other morning, and he was drowsy. His eyes could not be kept open, and his head tumbled about and dropped over his shoulder and down upon his breast. I never saw that man shaving a difficult operation for the knight of the lather, and a dangerous one for the patient. Finally the barber said gently but firmly: "Look a-here, sir; I can't possibly shave you unless you hold your head up." To which the response was made with indifference: "Coot me hair, thin."

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Leave-Taking.

Few have learned the art of leaving in an appropriate manner. When you are about to depart do so at once, gracefully and politely and with no doffing. Don't say "It's about time I was going, and then talk aimlessly for ten minutes. Some people have just such a tiresome habit. They will even rise and stand about the room in various attitudes, keeping their host also standing, and then by an effort succeed in getting as far as the hall, when a new thought strikes them. They brighten visibly, and stand for some minutes longer, saying nothing of importance, but keeping everybody in a restless state. After the door is opened leave-taking begins and everybody in general and particular is invited to call. Very likely a last thought strikes the departing visitor which his friend must risk a cold to bear to the end. What a relief when the door is finally closed? There's no need of being offensively abrupt, but when you are ready to go, go.

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A Scotchwoman's Age.

Patrolman Hummel brought in a "lady," and as she stood up in the wagon to be registered for intoxication, Lieutenant Scriber said:

"How old are you, madam?" "I don't want to tell my age, do I? asked the woman in pleading tones."

"Yes, madam," said the lieutenant, "we take the ages of all prisoners."

A suppressed moan escaped from the woman's lips, and she looked appealingly around and said:

"Well, if I must I must. I was born in Scotland, and my age multiplied by twice its length, divided by its least common multiple, subtracted from its algebraic denominator and added to three-tenths of its annual income will give you my correct and truthful period of actual existence." Then she faded.

Three arithmeticians around the central worked three hours on the problem; Colonel Lipps brought out some old school books, Sergeant Dunn brought a slate and pencil, and a scene of brain work and mental gymnastics followed.

All gave up trying to solve how old the lady was except the lieutenant. He shut his eyes and went it blind and put down "sweet sixteen."

There is a man on the Carson river, below Dayton, named Angela Cordella, who claims to be the strongest man in the world. He is an Italian, aged 32, and stands 5 feet 10 inches, weighing 198 pounds. His strength was born with him, for he had no athletic training. He differs from other men chiefly in the osseous structure. Although not of unusual size, his spinal column is not beyond the ordinary width, and his bones and joints are made on a similarly large and generous scale. He has lifted a man of 200 pounds with the middle finger of his right hand. His arms stood with one foot on the floor, his arms stretched, his hands grasped by two persons to balance his body. Cordella then stooped and placed the third finger of his right hand under the man's foot, and with scarcely any perceptible effort raised him to the height of four feet and deposited him on a table near at hand. Once two powerful men waylaid Cordella, with intent to thrash him, but he seized one in each hand and hammered them together until life was knocked nearly out of them.

He was about to pass on when a woman stuck her head out and said:

"No use ringing there."

"They are too poor to buy rugs."

"I think a carpenter's wife is just as good as a drayman's wife, and has just as much money for fine things. Which is your best rug?"

"This one, ma'am—for \$8."

"Hang it on the fence, where everybody can see it. Now take this \$20 bill and call at all the houses around here and ask for change. You won't get it, but I have the right amount to hand you when you come back. If you happen to say to 'em as you go around that this is the first \$8 rug you've sold within a mile of here, I'll give you a piece of pie and a glass of milk."

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