"You must go," she said. "I never had any letter from you. Hush! do not speak to me of it-no, nor of him. My life is made; I must live it out. I may not speak to you or look on your face again. Do not take my hand, Victor. Go away. Remember the past is past, and cannot be undone."

She motioned him to go, and he dared not stay. At the door he turned. "Let me stay, Amy. Amy, you owe him nothing. He has wronged us both. Come with me, Amy, and be happy."
"Happy!" she said, and a wan smile crept over her lips. "No, I should not be happy. You love me, Victor, and you will go away. Victor! I love you, and you will surely go away!"

He went without a word and left her standing there. She sat down again to ber work in a few moments, and when Ralph came in from his work all seemed as usual. His wife was quiet, but then she was always quiet now, and no one would have guessed that her heart was broken. Once that evening she looked at him, as he sat studying, long and hard and murmured, "Poor Ralph! he did it for the best." He asked her what she said, but she

answered, "Only a childish trick of talking to myself," and he was satisfied. In a few months more her baby was born, but it died within a few hours of its birth, and after that she never held up her head, but faded with the flowers. The morning that she died she called her husband, and as he leaned over he

"Ralph, I want to tell you before die that I forgive you for keeping back the letter Victor sent me by you. At first I thought it cruel, but now I can see you were tempted sorely, and you thought it best for both. Was it not so? No, don't speak, dear, and don't be sorry for it. I could not have lived - and now - I am tired: Good-br

He sank on his knees, for once thoroughly unmanned, his self-command all gone. He sobbed out like a child incoherent prayers for forgiveness. ERNEST ROLAND.

An Alarm Clock under the Sofa.

A mother lately requested her daughter, who is just approaching womanhood, to give her beau a hint that she must not sit up later than 10 o'clock. This the girl was reluctant to do, but her little brother threatened that unless she did he would open the parior door and announce the maternal edict. The sister supposed that she had put a quietus on her brother by reminding him of his playing hookey and forging his mother's name to excuses from school to go skating, not forgetting to mention the little riding whip his mamma kept in her room. All this, however, was not enough to keep the youth from getting even with Sis's beau for not giving him anything Christmas.

The other evening he got an alarm clock with a bell as loud as the gong on the "Brooklyn Bridge" bob and placed it under the sofa where his sister and her betrothed were to do their spooning. The hands were pointed at 10. The unsuspecting girl heard the tick, but took it to be her lover's Waterbury. He was just tickling her ear with a yarn about a horse his papa was going to buy when the gong sounded. There was a pause-and then, as though understanding the meaning, he grabbed his hat and never stopped running until he struck the door stoop, when he flew. The boy had iced the steps. The little brother now takes a cushion to school

Dogs on the Farm.

Occasionally we may find a dog that is valuable to the owner, but nine out ten dogs cause more trouble and damage than they are worth. And especially on farms where more or less stock is kept. There are but few dogs that can be trursted to drive stock. In a majority of cases if you attempt to drive hogs, cattle, sheep or horses with the dog such as is usually kept upon the farm, more damage will be caused and more extra trouble occasioned than the dogs are worth. How many times AMERICAN have you seen a farmer set his dog on where shey are not wanted, and then MAGAZ and there be obliged to take double the trouble it would have been to have driven them out without the dog and especially in calling him off, leaving out entirely the damage done to the stock. No stock, whether kept for breeding or to fatten, can be worried without more or less loss. Cows that are driven home by a dog that barks at their heads and then at their heels, runs them over the pasture heating them up and working them into a high state of excitement, will nearly always show the effect of this treatment by giving a less quantity of milk. Fattening cattle or hogs lose flesh and breeding stock abort simply because a dog is allowed to wor ry them unnecessarily.

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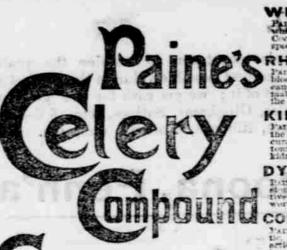


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the highly concentrated one, and later on from that of the barn yard, a moderate application of both being thought better than the use of either one by it-A successful potato grower in Union county, New Jersey, says his practice for several years has been to plant only

one eye to a hill, cut from the butts of large potatoes, not using the other end with its more numerous eyes at all. He puts in the rows 600 pounds of some well known brand of commercial manure to the acre, mixes it with the dirt before dropping the seed, and using no

Different Modes of Potato Culture.

Not a great many years ago in was

the practice to plant whole potatoes in

such quantities as to form quite a large

percentage of the expected yield, which

has been succeeded at the present time

by the opposite extreme of planting

tween the two methods for cultivators

to experiment as to the amount of seed

and the methods of cultivation from

which the best results may be obtained.

Owing to the short crop of last year,

seed will be high, and it will be a good

time to plant whole small potatoes, such

as have been given to the pigs in plenti-

ful years, and with many persons they

have all along been preferred to cut

seeds. Planting Irish and Scotch

grown seeds is unsafe, as those who

have experimented with them general-

ly represent them as unsuited to our

There is a general agreement on rows

about three and a half feet apart, with

hills twelve inches apart in the rows,

and one or two eyes in a hill, while at

the same time occasional trials with

whole seed have yielded larger crops :

but so long as cut seed proves satisfac-

tory a majority will no doubt continue

its use. It is of no use to plant pota-

toes on wet, heavy soil; while the

ground should not be excessively rich.

it should be clean, dry and mellow, and

generously fertilized. Where barn yard

manure is used, which contains all the

necessary elements, it should be well

rotted and decomposed, as in its green

state it is liable to cause scabby pota-

toes; where this is not plentiful some

reliable commercial article should take

its place. Another quite good plan is

to spread the barn yard manure and

plough it under, and at planting, drill

the commercial kind moderately in the

rows. This method is practiced in

climate.

single eyes, leaving ample room be-

other kind. He has always had good crops, even including the present unfavorable year, and believes he can profitably use a ton to the acre of commercial fertilizers whenever the aver-

age price of polatoes in this section can be obtained for his crop. The potato has the habit of degenerating to a degree that has caused the best and favorite varieties of former times to become obsolete, so that even their names are scarcely remembered. and some of the more recent ones, such as the Peach Blow and Early Rose, are giving are to newer sceding varieties, to be themselves displaced hereafter in the same way. If we were dependent on the tubers alone for the propagation

of the potato this would be an alarm-

ing fact, but fortunately we have in the seed the ready means of rejuvenating the species, and the more than 500 new varieties, many of them surpassing the former excellencies of the parent stock, attest the success of potato specialists in this direction. In states where the crop can be harvested in May or June, and sometimes the days of the inter-state commerce as late as July, it is becoming somewhat common to raise a second crop by but not to the sun-for a couple of weeks or longer, until they become dry and green in color. These are then

exposing the small potatoes to the airplanted whole, and are dug in the fall for seeds the next year. This seed has not the same tendency to sprout through the winter from a warm cellar as the fully matured tubers. As the small ones used in the summer for the second planting are slow in germinating so soon atter being dug, they should be started to sprouting before being planted, by putting them into barrels set in a cool covering the barrels with a damp cloth been seen engaged in flerce combat. until they show signs of germinating. Flat and hill culture each has its advocates ; farmers are more competent to determine from their own experiments, which is best for their own soils than from any advice that can be given. For the same reason, no particular varieties will be recommended for seed, except to say that for the main crop seperience and that of your neighbors you helps mother. know to be well adapted to your soil and your market. This, however, is not to be understood as discouraging any one from testing in a moderate way the new varieties confidently recomis only in this manner that the best can find their way into general use.

Invention of Telegraph Operators.

It is a latent signal transmitter called the teleseme. In all former means of communication of this kind the moment the signal was operated at one stand it was transmitted to the second or receiving stand. Such was the case with the some person or instrument at the rethe instant they were operated, or else in her heart. the sending operator would have to wait | The girl who works-God bless her until the receiving operator was at the receiving stand, and also, the receiving operator would have to leave whatever stead of being transmitted immediately, er. In other words, it is a sort of combination telegraph and phonograph.

Doctors and Churches. The Doctors of New York City say Speer's Port Grape Wine has proved to be All Sorts of Paragraphs.

Jay Gould, with all his means, is very economical. An ox race was run at Port Royal,

S. C., recently. We seldom heartly praise those who do not admire us. A great waste of energy in a girl-

when she hugs another girl. The deaf man finds some consolation in the hope of a hear-after.

Speaking of bustles, coming events sometimes cast their shadows behind. Matches left lying around loose caused 626 fires in New York last year. The keeper of a deaf and dumb asylum understands the mute ability of man.

A Baltimore wife-beater was cowhided by a party of women in that city recently. A Connecticut farmer, whose son is

in prison, has visited him every year for thirty years. Mrs. D. Giveaway, of Tennessee Pass, Col., gave birth to five beuncing boys the other day.

It is estimated that for the past six years strikes have cost the country \$16, 000,000 a year. When you see a man wheeling a baby

carriage, you may know that the baby

it contains is his first one. A woman never reaches middle life : she is always young until she gets old enough to boast of her age.

It has been discovered by naturalists that it takes a dog 90 days to forget his old home and take to a new one. Because a wife does not speak out against some of your habits is no proof

that they do not make her unhappy. The truly illustrious are they who do not court the praise of the world, but perform the actions which deserve it. The use we make of our fortune determines the sufficiency. A little is enough if used wisely, too much if ex-

many sections and by it the tubers get pended foolishly. the advantages of both kinds of fertil-A juryman was arrested recently at izers, first from the quicker action of Newport, Tenn., for robbing the pockets of his fellow jurymen while out making up a verdict.

The prisoner being asked whether he struck the man in the heat of passion, replied: "No, I struck him in the pit of the stomach." A Piorida paper tells of a lemon just

picked that measured fifteen and one half inches and weighed two pounds and two ounces. Learn in manhood to unlearn the follies of youth, but it is wiser not to

learn the follies, and there will be no

time wasted in their correction. If you want to have a man for a friend never get the ill-will of his wife. Public opinion is made up of the average prejudices of womankind.

Pa., in which there have been five generations of six-fingered persons descended in a stright line. Andrew Carnegie, the iron prince, who

pays one of his foremen a salary of \$25,000 a year, did his first work in a Pittsburg telegraph office for \$3 a week. Foreman-In what column shall I put the account of the man who fell and broke his back bone? Editor (busy writing a leader)-Spinal column, of course.

novelty. A process has been patented in England by which large type used for printing placards can be made from A couple, married at Jamaica, L. I. a few days ago, had been engaged for thirty years. They waited for the old

folks to remove objections, which they did when they died. A good many of the Congressmen miss the free passes they enjoyed before

law, and think their salaries ought to be increased as a compensation. A girl said to her friend who was about to mary a homely old millionaire; "How can you bear to think of spending your honeymoon in Paris with such a homely creature ?" "I do not think

of it a as a honeymoon, my dear, but as a moneymoon," was the reply. Liberty Corners, Sussex county, New Jersey, has a haunted tavern. Ten years ago the landlord had a terrible fight with a bear in his woodshed one night. The bear was killed but not until it had inflicted mortal wounds upon the man. At intervals ever since place and sprinkling them daily and the ghost of the man and bear have

Two Girls.

There is a girl, and I love to think of her and talk of her, who comes in late when there is company, who wears a pretty little air of mingled responsibility and anxiety with her youth, whom the others seem to depend upon and look to lect the ones that from your own ex- for many comforts. She is the girl who

In her own home she is a blessed

little saint and comforter. She takes upfinished tasks from the tired stiff fingers that falter at their work; her strong young figure is a staff upon mended by well known specialists, as it which the gray haired, white-faced mother leans and is rested. She helps mother with the spring sewing, with the week's mending, with a cheerful conversation and congenial companionship that some girls do not think worth while wasting on only mother. And when there comes a day when she must bend over the old worn out body of mother lying unneedful in her coffin. her rough hands folded, her long distelephone, and telegraph, and push but- | quiet merged in rest, something very ton, and railway signals, etc. This sweet will be mingled with her loss, and made it necessary that there should be the girl who helps mother will find a the girl who helps mother will find a ceiving stand to receive the signals at benediction of peace upon her head and

-is another girl whom I know. She is brave and active. She is not too proud he was at to keep the operator at the to earn her own living or ashamed to be sending stand from waiting. Now the caught at her daily task. She is principle of this latent signal is that in- studious and painstaking and patient. it remains locked up, set or stored at | She smiles at you from behind counter the receiving stand and subject to the or desk. There is a memory of her control of the receiving operator, after | sewn into each silken gown. She is it has been set or prepared by the send- like a beautiful mountaineer already far up the hill, and the sight of her should be a fine inspiration for us all. It is an honor to know this girl-to be worthy of her regard. Her hand may be stained by factory grease or printer's pure, unadulterated, of a fine flayor, and ink, but it is an honest hand and a tonic properties, and is unsurpassed for its beloing hand. It stays misfortune restorative pewers, and they prescribe it as from many homes; it is one shield that a very superior wine. Churches use it for protects many a feriorn little family from the alsohouse and the asylum.

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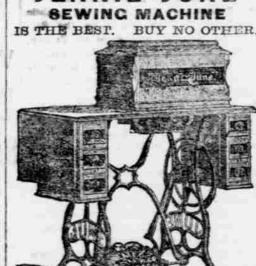


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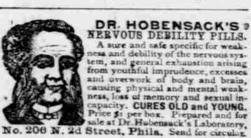
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armer can produce animals for the preponderating in lean or fat, as ferred and the demand is increasing carcases that excel in lean. It ha so been accepted that the best can es should also contain a fair prope of fat. The whole matter dependent the cost of production, and in cousin ing the cost not only the food alloa to the animals but the ultimate effort on the soil enter into the question profit or loss. The main point, after is the amount of fertility the wealth the farm will be passing away. Che lean meat sells at a higher price market because it is of better qualfor the table ; but whether the dis. ence in price between fat and lean be will compensate for the difference the elements required for their provided tion depends on the mode of produc the meat and the manner of proconthe food. It is possible to pur greater portion of the food and come it into beef or pork, securing the m. nure, and thereby realize a fair probut the same may be done in producanimals that preponderate in falous far as procuring the materials from the soil is concerned it may be stated the fat really costs nothing, though then an expense incurred in securing through the labor employed. Faderived from the food produced plants, and plants during growth & rive their fat (carbon) from the tax bonic acid and gas of the atmospher through the agency of the leave Scientists are agreed that carbon cas not be applied to growing plants b way of the soil and roots. Lean mag on the contrary, is composed largely nitrogen (the most expensive elemen in fertilizers), which must be proceed and applied to the soil. Butter is product also that is really almost car less so far as the soil elements are co. cemed; but the skim milk takes from the soil the nitregen and phosphaia A farm can never be impoverished h selling butter therefrom, but it can be reduced in fertility when milk is carried off unless the elements be supplied ; some other form. It may be profitable however, to sell lean meat in preference to fat by securing a higher price for the

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persed with lean, so as to combine but

Leaks About the Farm. The manure pile is exposed to the summer and winter rains, and a great part of its valuable constituents are

The barn has a poor roof, and the crops are injured after being housed. The barn is full of holes so that the stock is in an uncomfortable state. Feeding cattle eat a great deal but do not fatten, while milking cows vield

only half what they should. Stacking crops which should be sheltered in the barn. Holding crops for better prices, forgetting the loss of interest and the

losses from shrinkage, mice, insects, Farming so as to get half a crop, where a whole crop should have been produced. Interest and labor on the half crop cost just as much as ou a

whole crop. Cheap hired help. Farming more acres than can beattended to.

stream, thus losing a large amount of their droppings. From wide fence corners grown up with weeds.

Watering the stock in a running

From being too busy to think before

acting. All money dropped into the till of the village tavern. All money spent for tobacco. The total loss of the contents of the

farms. Not hiring enough to keep the work Allowing the buildings to go without

privy vault, as is common on most

Car Riding Before the War. People who travel nowadays in Pallman sleepers and buffet cars can't imagine what railroading used to be before the war in the west. Now the percentage of deaths by accident on railroads is very small. Then a man took his life in his hand when he made a trip on the railroad. The rails then were known as strap rails, flat pieces of iron spiked down to the wooden teams laid along the track. Every now and then a wheel of a car would tear one end of a rail loose and it would fly up through the bottom of the car and then smash its way through, killing anybody it struck and breaking the woodwork of

the car all to pieces. I was an express messenger in those days on a road running between Cincinnati and Indianapolis. One day one of these rails broke through my car, struck my safe, and then came squirming and twisting like a snake at me. I tried to dodge it, but it seemed to bend all over the car in a second, and it caught my breeches, tearing them clear off one leg. If it had struck my body I would have been nailed to the roof by it, as it went on out that way, Sometimes these broken rails threw the train off the track, but generally the ears bowied merrily along over the break, and the passengers were so accustomed to being shaken up that they didn't know that anything extraordinary had happened until some one told them.

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