

FARM NOTES.

THE VARIETIES OF GRASS TO GROW.—It is customary to use a mixed seed for lawns, which is proper, but sometimes too many kinds are used, and the best grasses are crowded out by those not so desirable.

SEPTEMBER THE INCUBATOR MONTH.—This month is the proper time to begin hatching with incubators for broilers, says a practical poultry fancier.

AIM TO supply the market with something that is not usually provided in sufficiency. It is not economical to grow the crops that demand the least labor.

TRAP FOR SHEEP-KILLING DOGS.—This hint from a scrap-book item may prove useful. When dogs kill sheep they generally return in a night or two to regale themselves on the carcass.

POISONOUS POTATOES.—Last season was a very peculiar one for all vegetable growths, and the result of this is strikingly seen in its effects on the quality of a potato raised in some localities.

A CORRESPONDENT who has used stable manure freely on young peach, pear and apple trees which made four feet growth this season.

MANAGING THE LAWN.—This fall is the time to manure the lawn, as the frost will pulverize the manure and render it fine.

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FOOD given to a young animal is productive of greater gain, as growth adds to the weight and increase of size. The matured animal does not so readily appropriate the elements of growth, as the young are less.

HUMOROUS.

A LESSON IN PHYSICS.—Little Ike—"Uncle Rastus, does cold make anything git littler?"

OPPRESSIVE SCIENCE.—Colonel Kaw of Kansas—"It's gittin' so that science, once the friend of man, is fast becoming his bitter enemy.

A MAN was running down Bates street towards the river the other afternoon when a policeman confronted him and asked for an explanation.

SLIGHTLY INACCURATE.—"Say," said the hortic driver, after ringing his reminder-bell with great enthusiasm,

There was no response. "Look here," he exclaimed impatiently, "somebody hasn't paid his fare yet, and I want it."

"Ah," remarked a mild-mannered man, as he stepped up and deposited a nickel in the box, "why didn't you say that in the first place?"

A HEAVY PUNISHMENT.—First Nurse—"Did you ever see a lion fed?"

WAITER, 11.59 Thursday night—"Here's a fellow wants a beef stew."

MASHER—"Gad! what a lovely young bather. Who is she?"

HOUSEKEEPERS' LISTS.—It is often helpful, especially in the busy house cleaning time, to make a list of important things you mean to do or have done.

STRING BEANS.—These should be young and tender; the ends cut off and the bean cut into inch lengths unless very small.

TO those not accustomed to the use of lists, a first trial may seem too much trouble, but it has always been my experience that the system and order resulting from the habit save not only a great deal of time, but worry and mistakes as well.

SUMMER BUTTER.—Colonel Curtis says that butter may be made in the summer in a small dairy and packed away for winter's use if it is properly made.

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THE quality on intimacy which breaks down all the barriers to politeness should never be tolerated.

HOUSEHOLD.

RIGID HOUSEKEEPING.—"Yes," said Mrs. Benson, sinking into a chair, and fanning herself with slow movements of the palm-leaf, as if too tired for even that small exertion.

"But," pleaded her visitor, "the grass comes to the front door, you stand far in from the road, there are no children to make a litter, and you keep the doors closed most of the time; the room cannot need sweeping so regularly."

"It is my rule," said the inflexible housewife, "I don't believe in saving myself and neglecting my home. Nobody can ever accuse me of that sin."

"You are worth something to your home, and you lessen that value, when you have only the remnants of your strength left for those whom you love most dearly, and when you grow old twice as fast as you ought. I believe in cleanliness, but not to the extent of worshipping it as if it were a graven image."

"My mother always swept the whole house every week, and I intend to do the same," persisted the little woman, quite unmoved by all the argument.

SUMMER DELICACIES.—A most tempting and delicious dish is made of alternate layers of sliced peach, orange, pineapple, banana and muskmelon, with a cup of wine poured over it, powdered sugar sprinkled lightly on and the top dotted over with fresh berries.

Blackberries are a delicacy when served in little blocks of ice hollowed out to contain a portion for one person.

Wined melon represents a delightful innovation. The iced cantaloupe is passed around, followed by sherry or white wine, of which each guest pours a dash over the fruit to give it the desired flavor.

IN THE new edition of "Fenner's Complete Formulary," under the Unclassified Preparations, a formula which will be appreciated by every good housekeeper who has salads, soups, or cold luncheons to prepare, and who may not be in close proximity to a fully supplied "corner grocery."

Worcestershire Sauce.—The composition of this sauce is a trade secret, but a good imitation may be made as follows: Chop the green outer covering of unripe walnuts, 5 pounds; bruise them to a pulp in a mortar, pour upon them 6 pints of good strong vinegar, and after standing a day heat to boiling and strain with strong pressure.

Half-Rate Excursions.—The Chicago & North-Western Railway offers exceptional opportunities for an inspection of the cheap lands and growing business centers of Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Wisconsin, North and South Dakota, Colorado and the Far West and Northwest, by a series of Half-Rate Excursions, for which tickets will be sold at half rate, or one fare for the round trip.

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Dressy young married ladies wear white tulle veils with capote-shaped bonnets.

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SWEDISH TIMBALS.—Beat two eggs very light, add one-half cup of milk. Pour this slowly on to one cup of flour; beat well. Add one-half teaspoonful of salt, one-half teaspoonful of sugar and one tablespoonful of oil. Fry in hot fat, using a timbal iron to shape them.

THE timbals may be made the day before they are intended to be used, but they are nicer if eaten when first fried. The timbal iron is expensive.

ENGLISHMAN, to stranger—"Excuse me, sir, but aren't you a foreigner?"

Stranger—"Foreigner? No, sir, I am an American pure and simple."

He—"Are you afraid of thunder storms, Miss Daisy?"

She—"Oh, yes, dreadfully."

"I should think you would be, you are so attractive."

"Mamma's gittin' better."

There is a great deal of virtue in this world that is like jewelry—more for ornament than use.

According to computations made from Prof. Quimby's surveys, Massachusetts is holding 700 square miles of land which are claimed to rightfully belong to New Hampshire.

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