

FARM NOTES.

THE POTATO'S NEW ENEMY.—A new disease of the Irish potato has been discovered by Professor J. Lamm...

CROWS.—A New England farmer who found that the crows were pulling up his corn carried a bundle of newspapers to the field...

ASHES FOR VINEYARDS.—People having vineyards will be interested in this item: President Phillips, of the West Michigan Horticultural Society...

OF INTEREST TO FARMERS.—It is stated in the Garden and Forest that the green cabbage worm is discouraged by the following treatment...

IF A CALF is at all dainty about its food do not keep it for a cow. No pedigree can offset the disadvantage of poor appetite and poor digestion...

The grape is a warm-country fruit, and should be set out where it may be exposed to the sun all the day long.

The best curculio preventive is to plant Chickasaw plums through the orchard. The curculio lays its eggs in the Chickasaw before other plums come in.

A CORRESPONDENT of the American Cultivator is inclined to think that there is too much liberty of shooting in this country.

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BRAN is one of the best foods for cows that are expected to calve in a month or more.

The bush Lima bean has been tested this season. While it has the bush habit, and requires no poles, yet it lacks the quality of the large Lima. It is also small, and can be used as a bean for soup.

HOUSEHOLD.

SEASONABLE SALADS.—Cauliflower salad is one of the daintiest and prettiest looking dishes of the salad kind.

A nice salad is of not too-ripe tomatoes covered with a sauce of oil and vinegar, in the proportion of two of oil to one of vinegar...

THE CARE OF MATTING.—In sweeping the pretty and economical straw matting that is growing to be very popular with housekeepers during warm weather...

For winter use, if a heavy layer of carpet lining is put under it, matting is a comfortable floor covering.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.—When recipes call for a cupful it means just half a pint...

Red pepper pods or a few pieces of charcoal thrown into the pot in which onions, cabbage, etc., are being boiled will prevent the unpleasant odor.

Spirits of ammonia is the best thing to clean hair brushes with, as it does not soften the bristles like soap or soda.

Biting the lips frequently makes them sore, and for hard, dry lips a little pure glycerine lightly rubbed in at night is often beneficial.

SWEET PICKLED CUCUMBERS.—Select ripe cucumbers of a uniform size; pare and quarter them and remove all the seeds.

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BAKED CUCUMBERS.—Cut fine large cucumbers lengthwise, scoop out the seeds, and stuff them with a dressing made of cold veal or chicken, bread crumbs, salt and pepper to taste...

EDDIE'S DISAPPOINTMENT.

BY MAY GRAHAM.

(FOR THE VERY LITTLE FOLKS.)

One bright day in May, Eddie Wheeler, a fine little fellow of about four years of age, might have been seen toddling along the Lancaster Pike...

"Kind!" exclaimed Huldah, the eldest sister, "what in the world will you do with the filthy beastie? Surely, mother, you will not allow Eddie to keep him?"

Not many weeks elapsed before "kind" Mr. Hogan intimated that if Eddie would bring over his wheelbarrow a young turkey would be added to his store of pets.

Soon after, the wheelbarrow was again brought into use, for Mr. Hogan had a brood of chickens of which he was willing to spare one to his little neighbor.

And notwithstanding all that his sisters could say to the contrary, the piggie and the puppy and the turkey and the chicken were allowed to flourish in the back yard together.

The next time Eddie went over to the farm he heard a piece of news which made him open his eyes with astonishment and filled his heart with a sudden inexplicable hope.

A pair of dear little boys had been born to the Hogan parents the night before; the first children they had ever been blessed with.

"What a matter was my dear little boy?" asked the mother, using the "baby" talk which was helpful to the baby's young heart...

SHE HAD A BITE.—Every one had his or her line over the rail of the boat awaiting a bite, when a freckle-faced girl with auburn hair turned to the young man with a downy moustache...

"Then pull in," he commanded. "But it may be a great big fish, and he might pull me into the water."

A YOUNG apprentice one day, at breakfast, suddenly exclaimed: "I am going blind! Ah! I am blind!"

The good-natured master, who had once been young himself, begged his wife to put a bit of cheese on the lad's bread.

THE LAST PAIR.—Miss Bluffins—"I want a pair of slippers. Two and a half is my size."

AN EASY PROMISE.—Mrs. Brown—"My husband has given up drinking."

THE ROAD TO WEALTH.—"Mr. Jones!" said the old millionaire.

Next month lawn grass seed may be sown for the spring crop of lawn grass. Spade the ground well and rake the seed in, but cover very lightly.

According to Dr. Cornet, tuberculosis is nine times more frequent among nurses than among any other class of persons.

A HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY.—Oliver Sand—"There's that Mr. Heft I was telling you about; he's manager of one of the largest corporations in the country."

HARD LUCK.—Mr. Crosshoads—"Mirandy! Some thief got in back of the counter 'd' day 'n' stole them 10 cent cigars I just got in; took the whole hundred."

CONGRATULATE HIM.—In New York. A number of enthusiastic men rush to the cell of a condemned criminal.

TEACHER—"Who was Captain Cook?" "Mr. Delmonico."

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