

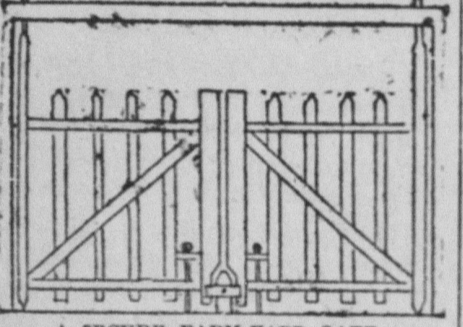
FACTS FOR FARMERS.

Reasonable Suggestions and Useful Hints for Agriculturists.

A Cheap and Durable Farm Gate—Selecting Corn for Seed—Temperature of Cream for Winter Churning—Undrawn Poultry for the Market.

A Convenient Farm-Yard Gate.

The illustration, a sketch of which was sent us by J. W. Graham, N. C., is a simple double gate frame, made to open either way, and closed in the following manner: Midway between the gates is a short post firmly driven in the ground, or mortised into the ground sill, on both sides of which is a large "button" as shown in engraving.



A SECURE FARM-YARD GATE. The piece of the gate-frame. When the gate is open sufficiently wide the iron rod is stuck down in the earth, and the gate is thus held in position.

The whole ear for seed. Several years ago I saw a statement in a seed catalogue recommending the planting of the whole ear, rather than to shell off the tip and but kernels, and then using the remainder for seed.

The old plan or at least the one I had always been accustomed to, was to go to the corn crib in the spring when the time for planting corn came and pick out the best ears, and shell off the tip and but kernels and the rest was used for seed.

My boy came back to me to-day I had not seen for years. The child who, when he went away, I kissed in prayerful tears. But, oh, the changes time has wrought; My tender boy is dead.

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urged it instead of allowing a disgruntled public to find fault.

No poultry breeder ever made a dollar by marketing undrawn poultry. For every cent gained on the additional weight of the fowl in such a condition, two were lost by reason of the refusal of the dealer to buy more of the same producer because so many were soiled on his hands.

Phosphate for Poultry. The advice to give bones to hens to make them lay has been improved by a farmer who accidentally learned that commercial phosphate answers the same purpose.

Sweet Cheese.

Put on a large kettle half full of fresh buttermilk, let it just come to a boil, then add as much sweet milk as there is buttermilk, stir it just enough to mix and let it again come to a boil; take immediately off, strain through linen or sieve, after it has drained work the curd while still quite warm with the hand and fingers about ten minutes; add three tablespoons of butter, a little salt; make into balls and it is ready for use.

Some Selected Recipes.

RAISED CAKE.—Two cups sugar, two cups bread dough, three-fourths cup butter, one cup raisins, one egg, half-teaspoonful soda, nutmeg, cinnamon. Add more flour if the dough is too thin.

LEMON PIE.—One lemon, one cup sugar, three eggs, one cup water, half-teaspoonful cornstarch, one tablespoonful flour. Cook over a kettle. Bake crust separate. Frost with the whites of the eggs.

SPICED MOLASSES CAKE.—One cup sugar, half-cup butter, stir well together; three eggs, one cup molasses, one cup sour cream, one teaspoonful soda, one teaspoonful cloves, nutmeg and cinnamon, 2½ cups flour.

CORN MEAL GEMS.—One cup granulated meal, two teaspoonfuls flour, two teaspoonfuls sugar, one heaping teaspoonful baking powder, one egg and sweet milk enough to make a thin batter; bake in gem tins in a well heated oven.

CREAM CAKE.—Five eggs, one pint sour cream, one cup of sweet milk, one cup of butter, four cups of sugar, two teaspoonfuls of soda, four of cream of tartar, flour to make a stiff batter. This makes a very large delicious cake; bake forty minutes.

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Temperature is the most important element in dairy work, but unfortunately it is almost wholly ignored. A thermometer is rarely seen in an ordinary dairy, and as far as the temperature is concerned everything goes by guess-work. It is quite obvious that if a small change in temperature is injurious, the winter season calls for more than usual attention in this respect.

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"ARE you Americans still as fond of ball as ever?" "Yes, indeed. Why, all our best families are adding ballrooms to their homes." "Fawcay!"

CREATOR—"When are you going to pay your debts?" "DEBTOR—"That's none of your confounded business." "But I need my money." "That's none of my confounded business."

It is needless to say that tailors have a very cutting manner when it suits them.

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DR. L. L. GOESBACH, Toledo, O., says: "I have practiced medicine for forty years, have never seen a preparation that I could prescribe with so much confidence of success as I can Hall's Catarrh Cure." Sold by Druggists, 25¢.

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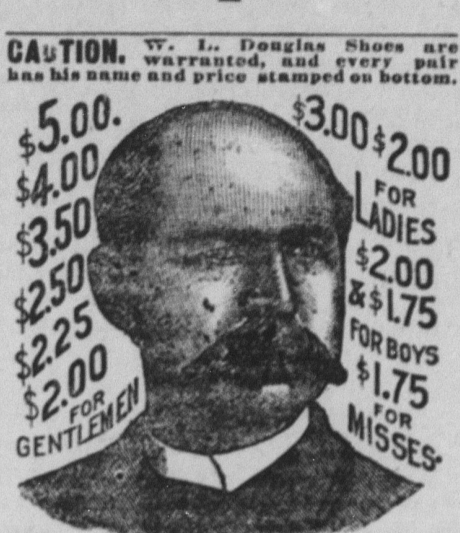
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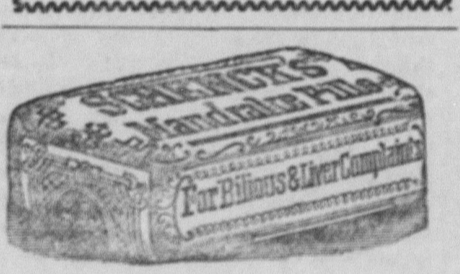
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WAS TRYING TO BE PATIENT.—The waiter had gone to fill his order and he was waiting.

"Anybody a tending to you, doctor?" said the proprietor briskly, and evidently mistaking him for some one else.

Yes, but I'm not the doctor. I'm the patient, or trying to be."

FATER—"Well, Adolph, whom did your college men elect to represent them at the convention?"

Adolph—"Twirler."

FATER—"Twirler? Can he put things forcibly?"

"Yes, but he can pitch a ball through a wire netting every time."

"I DON'T know what we are going to do with Harry," said that lad's mother, disconsolately. "It is impossible for me to make him do any work."

"Let him be," replied his father, "he's cut out to be a rich man."

"I understand you are engaged to Miss Long?"

"Yes; my first engagement."

"Your first?"

"Yes; never smelled powder before."

PEOPLE never know either in disputed or other matters, how much may be said on each side until they hear two women talking over a fence.

A BETTER PLAN.—Indette—Yes, I'm getting tired of this single life. I think I'll get married and settle down. Merritt—What's the matter with settling up first?

HARD LUCK—"Why so downcast?" "I lost a magnificent umbrella yesterday?"

"Leave it in the car?" "No; I met the owner of it on the street and he recognized it at once."

A CLOSE CALL.—An old-fashioned dry goods merchant doing business in one of the interior towns for many years failed the other day, and when an agent for one of the creditors reached the place it was to find the proprietor working hard to figure it all out.

"Lands! but I can't see why I should fail," he kept on saying. "Nebbs, though! I didn't collect sharp enough."

"You have a heap of old goods here" said the agent as he looked around.

"Yes more or less."

"When did you take your last inventory?"

"Inventory? Take every thing down?"

"Yes."

"And make out a list?"

"Yes."

"And put down the cost?"

"Yes."

"And dust off the shelves and mop the floor?"

"That's it."

"And clean the windows and paint the front of the store?"

"Yes."

"I never went into that. I was going to one day about fifteen years ago, but they had a wrestling match in town and I let the inventory go. Mercy on me, but I can't understand how I should fail!"

IMITATING HIS SUPERIOR.—L'ttle Gamin F'launterag—Say, granny, how much is dem apples?

Dear Old Apple Woman—Oh, go 'way wid yez; sure it's not a penny yez have at all, at all!

Little Gamin F'launterag—Well haven't I got der right ter go out shopping, all der same.

ONE THING TO BE PROUD OF ANYHOW.—"Did you have any fireworks on the Fourth?"

"Lots."

"But your mother didn't get hit on the nose with a sky rocket?"

"No, but I set the house afire with a Roman candle and got out three engines."

A NEW MAXIM.—Scrimpley (gazing sorrowfully upon the winning horse)—Well I never thought that such a chromo as that could trot!

Thomson—It's the lesson for you my boy. Never judge a horse by his frame!

BOTH CAN GO IT.—Miss Alice (at the art gallery)—That silver vase yonder is one of Benvenuto Cellini's masterpieces. He must have been one of the greatest geniuses of his time.

Mr. Verisoff.—He was. Besides being a goldsmith he was a sculptor and painter. It is said of him that with but a few strokes he could change the whole expression of a countenance.

Bobby (the infant terrible)—Papa can do that with only one stroke.

Mr. NOOLY.—Say; I want a coat of arms.

"Ain't d' your business?"

"Haud' got none now—made my money in vinegar."

"I see. How would 'What is Home Without a Mother?' suit you for a legend?"

"MAY I have the honor of this waltz?"

"But I don't think I have the pleasure of your acquaintance." "O yes, I trod on your foot about half an hour since, and I heard you say you would remember me as long as you lived."

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