

**WHAT I KNOW OF FARMING.**  
BY HORACE GREELLEY.

IX. PLANTING AND GROWING TREES. Whoever has recently bought, inherited, or otherwise become the owner of a farm, has usually found some part or parts of it devoted to wood; and this, if not in excess, he will mainly preserve, while he studies and plans with a view to the ultimate devotion to timber of just those portions of his land that are best adapted to that use. In locating his timber, I would have him consider these suggestions:

I. Land wisely planned with trees and fenced so far as need to be kept out cattle, costs nothing. Whatever else you grow involves labor and expenditure; trees grow of their own accord. You may neglect them until they may wander over the earth and be absent for ten or twenty years, while your fences decay and your fields are overcropped to exhaustion; even your meadows may be run out by late mowing and close feeding at both ends of the season, till a dozen acres will hardly subside a span of horses and a cow; but your woods need only to be let alone to insure that their value shall have decidedly increased during your absence. They will richly reward labor and care in thinning, trimming, and transplanting—you may profitably employ in them any time that you can spare them—but they will do you very well if simply left alone. And, unlike any other product with which I am acquainted, you may take crops after crop of wood from the same lot, and the soil will be richer and more productive after the last than it was before the first. Whether wholly because their roots permeate and break up the soil during their life and enrich it in their decay, or for diverse reasons, it is certainly true that land—especially poor land—is enriched by growing upon it a crop of almost any timber, the evergreens possibly excepted. So, should you ever have land that you cannot till to profit, whether because it is too poor, or because you have a sufficiency that is better, you should at once devote it to wood.

II. Your springs and streams will be rendered more equable and enduring by increasing the area and the luxuriance of your timber. They may have become scanty and capricious under a policy of reckless, wholesale destruction of trees; they will be re-enforced and reinvigorated by doubling the area of your woods, while quadrupling the number, and increasing the average size of your trees.

III. All ravines and steep hill-sides should be devoted to trees. Every acre too rocky to be thoroughly cleared of stone and plowed should be set apart for tree-growing. Wherever the soil will be gullied or washed away by violent rains if under tillage, it should be excluded from cultivation and given up to trees. Men often doubt the profit of heavy manuring; well they may, if three-fourths of the fertilizers applied are soaked out and swept away by flooding rains or sudden thaws and floated off to some distant sea or bay; but let that that is applied to the soil only remain there till it is carted away in crops and it will hardly be possible to manure too highly for profit.

IV. Trees, especially evergreens, may be so disposed as to modify agreeably the average temperature of your farm, or at least of the most important parts of it. When I bought my place—or rather the first installment of it, the best spot I could select for a garden lay at the foot of a hill which surrounded it on the south and east, leaving it exposed to the full sweep of north and north-west winds; so that, though the soil was gravelly and warm, my garden was likely to be cold and backward. To remedy this, I planted four rows of evergreens (Balsam Fir, Pine, Red Cedar, and Hemlock) along a low ridge bounding it on the north, following an inward curve of the ridge at its west end; and those evergreens have in sixteen years grown into very considerable trees, forming a shady, cleanly, inviting bowser, or sylvan retreat, daintily carpeted with the fallen leaves of the overhanging fir. I judge that the average temperature of the soil for some yards southward of this wind break is at least five degrees higher, throughout the growing season, than it formerly was or would now be if these evergreens were swept away; while the aspect of the place is agreeably diversified, and even beautified, by their appearance. I believe it would sell for some hundreds of dollars more with than without that thrifty, growing clump of evergreens.

V. I have already urged, though not enough, that crops, as well as springs, will be improved by keeping the crests of ridges thickly wooded, thus depositing moisture in Winter and spring to be slowly yielded to the subjacent slopes during the heat and drought of Summer. I firmly believe that the slopes of a hill whose crest is heavily wooded will yield larger average crops than slopes and crest together would do if both were bare of trees.

VI. The banks of considerable streams, ponds, &c., may often be so planted with trees that these will shade more water than land, to the comfort and satisfaction of the fish, and the protection of those banks from abrasion by floods and rapid currents. Sye-

**OUR COLUMN FOR THE PEOPLE.**

**RED FRONT ENTERPRISE STORE.**

**Sugars.** All kinds, at very small profits. Not offered low to draw you on, on other goods. Our prices to continue low, regularly.

**Syrups.** The best Silver and Golden Draps, genuine Loving and other Syrups. New Orleans and other Baking Molasses.

**Teas.** A variety of kinds of best always on hand cheap.

**Coffees.** Roasted and Green, cheap as the cheapest for the same quality.

**Meat.** Hams, Shoulders, Sides, Dried Beef, at living prices.

**Cheese.** The best N. Y. State Goshon and Ohio Cheese.

**Candies.** The best stick and other candies, wholesale and retail.

**Flour.** The best Flour by the barrel, sack or pound. Cheaper for the same quality than elsewhere.

**Feed.** By the hundred or smaller quantity.

**Stone-Ware.** 4000 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 gallon crocks, jars, jugs, and churns, selling cheap.

**GLASS & QUEENSWARE.** A large stock of Ironstone and Common ware, in sets or by the piece. Glassware, Earthenware, Fruit Jars, etc., at Red Front, cheap.

**Wood and Willow-Ware.** A large assortment of Baskets, Buckets, Churns, Tubs, etc., etc., at Red Front.

**Fruit, &c.** Dried Peaches and Apples, Raisins, Prunes, Cornucopia, Elderberries, Canned Fruit and Vegetables, etc.

**Salt.** By the sack or bushel. Also Dairy Salt.

**Spices, &c.** All kinds of Spices, and a great variety of notions. Soups of all kinds and cheap.

**Fish.** Pickled Salmon, Haddock, Shad, Trout, White Fish, Mackerel, Dry Salt, Quoddy Labrador, Lake and smoked Herring, by the half and quarter barrel, kilt, pound and dozen. All warranted, and cheaper than elsewhere.

**Tobacco.** The best quality of Tobacco, and cheaper than any other store in town.

**RED STORE.** Variety.

For what you want first call at Enterprise Headquarters where prices will be kept regularly low.

**THE CELEBRATED GROVER & BAKER.**

**Sewing Machines.**

THE BEST FAMILY SEWING MACHINE IN USE. For Beauty and Facility of Stitch. For Strength and Durability of Sewing. For Speed and Simplicity of Operation. For Simplicity of Adjustment. For Reliability. For Economy. For the latest and best Sewing Machine, see our new Sewing Machine, with all the latest improvements. Grover & Baker, Sewing Machine Co., 231 North Second Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

**WHEELER & WILSON'S HIGHEST PREMIUM LOCK STITCH Sewing Machines.**

Received the only GOLD MEDAL at the PARIS EXPOSITION, 1867. They are adapted to all kinds of Family Sewing and to the use of Seamstresses, Dressmakers, Tailors, Manufacturers of Shirts, Collars, Skirts, Caps, Umbrellas, Parasols, etc. They work equally well upon silk, linen, woolen and cotton goods, with silk, cotton or linen threads. They will sew, quite perfectly, full, cord, braid, blind, and perform every species of sewing, making a beautiful and perfect stitch, alike on both sides of the article sewed. The qualities which recommend this machine are: 1. Beauty and excellence of stitch, alike on both sides of the fabric sewed. 2. Firmness and durability of seam, that will not give or pull. 3. Economy of thread. 4. Attachment and wide range of application, to purposes and materials. 5. Simplicity and elegance of model and finish. 6. Durability and thoroughness of construction. 7. Speed, ease of operation and management, and quietness of movement. Instructions for use. Machines kept in repair one year free of charge. U. B. LEWIS, Agent, HUNTINGDON, PA.

**BARCAINS.**

I have been requested by the owners of the following Sewing Machines to dispose of them as follows: One Grover & Baker Sewing Machine, top action, in good running order, cost \$70, will take \$35. One Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine, top action, in good running order, cost \$50, will take \$25. One Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine, top action, in good running order, cost \$50, will take \$25. One Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine, top action, in good running order, cost \$50, will take \$25. U. B. LEWIS, Agent, HUNTINGDON, PA.

**SEWING MACHINES.**

FOR SALE CHEAP. Owing to the demand for our Machines we have decided to sell all kinds of Sewing Machines for the Grover & Baker Sewing Machine Co. We will also exchange new machines for old Grover & Baker that are worn out or out of repair, on reasonable terms. We have for sale the following Sewing Machines which we have taken in exchange for the Grover & Baker Sewing Machine: One Grover & Baker Sewing Machine, top action, in good running order, cost \$70, will take \$35. One Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine, top action, in good running order, cost \$50, will take \$25. One Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine, top action, in good running order, cost \$50, will take \$25. One Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine, top action, in good running order, cost \$50, will take \$25. U. B. LEWIS, Agent, HUNTINGDON, PA.

**THE HUNTINGDON Manufacturing Company.**

**Weatherboarding, Flooring, Doors, and Sashes.**

**FURNITURE.**

**STEAM SAW MILL.**

**LUMBER, SHINGLES, LATHS.**

**HEMLOCK, PINE BILL STUFF.**

**WAGON BOXES.**

**DOBBINS' BOOT POLISH.**

**DOBBINS' BLACKING.**

**FOR THE LADIES.**

**WHARTON & MAGUIRE.**

**HARDWARE, CUTLERY, & C.**

**HOUSEHOLD, HORTICULTURAL AND FARM IMPLEMENTS.**

**CARRIAGE & WAGON MAKERS.**

**BLACKSMITHS.**

**SPANISH HAR DRESSER.**

**MEXICAN WILD FLOWERS SHAMPOO LOTION.**

**WILD FLOWERS FOR THE TEETH.**

**J. E. CALDWELL & CO. JEWELERS.**

**OHIO PUMP.**

**SCALES.**

**COOK & PARLOR STOVES.**

**WHARTON & MAGUIRE.**

**HARDWARE, CUTLERY, & C.**

**HOUSEHOLD, HORTICULTURAL AND FARM IMPLEMENTS.**

**CARRIAGE & WAGON MAKERS.**

**BLACKSMITHS.**

**SPANISH HAR DRESSER.**

**MEXICAN WILD FLOWERS SHAMPOO LOTION.**

**WILD FLOWERS FOR THE TEETH.**

**J. E. CALDWELL & CO. JEWELERS.**

**OHIO PUMP.**

**SCALES.**

**COOK & PARLOR STOVES.**

**Philadelphia Advertisements.**

**CONSUMPTIVES.**

**ROHM & HELLS.**

**ISAAC K. STAUFFER.**

**POSTLETHWAITE CO.**

**FURNITURE.**

**JOSEPH WALTON & CO.**

**BOOK AGENTS WANTED FOR P. T. BARNUM.**

**MEXICAN WILD FLOWERS SHAMPOO LOTION.**

**WILD FLOWERS FOR THE TEETH.**

**J. E. CALDWELL & CO. JEWELERS.**

**OHIO PUMP.**

**SCALES.**

**COOK & PARLOR STOVES.**

**GET THE BEST READY ROOFING.**

**THE READY ROOFING.**

**GRANITE CEMENT.**

**ROOF PAINT.**

**UNITED STATES AUTHORIZED WAR CLAIM AGENCY.**

**SOLDIERS' HEIRS' ATTENTION!**

**DISCHARGED SOLDIERS.**

**READING RAIL ROAD.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**

**WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.**