The Huntingdon Journal.

Farm and Household.

Song of the Flail.

BY J. T. TROWBRIDGE.

In the autumn, when the hollows
All are filled with flying leaves,
And the colonies of swallows
Quit the quaintly stuccoed eaves,
And a silver mantle glistens
Over all the misty vale,
Sits the little wife and listens,
To the beating of the flail,
To the pounding of the flail—
By her cradle sits and listens
To the flapping of the flail.

The bright summer days are over,
And her eye no longer sees
The red bloom upon the clover,
The deep green upon the trees;
Hushed the song of finch and robin,
With the whistle of the quail;
But she hears the mellow throbbing
Of the thunder of the flail,
The low thunder of the flail—
Through the amber air the throbbing
And reverberating flail.

In the barn the stout young thresher
Stooping stands with rolled-up sleeves,
Beating out his golden treasure
From the ripped and rustling sheaves;
Oh, was ever knight in armor—
Warrior all in shining mail—
Half so handsome as her farmer
As he plies the flying flail,
As he yields the flashing flail?—
The bare-throated, brown young farmer,
As he swings the sounding flail?

All the hopes that saw the sowing,
All the sweet desire of gain,
All the joy that watched the growing
And the yellowing of the grain,
And the love that went to woo her,
And the faith, that shall not fail—
All are speaking softly to her
In the pulses of the flail,
Of the palpitating flail—
Past and Future whisper to her
In the music of the flail.

In its crib their babe is sleeping,
And the sunshine from the door
All the afternoon is creeping
Slowly round upon the floor;
And the shadows soon will darken,
And the daylight soon must pale,
When the wife no more shall hearken
To the tramping of the flail,
To the dancing of the flail—
When her heart no more shall hearken
To the footfall of the flail.

And the babe shall grow and strengthen,
Be a maiden, be a wife,
While the moving shadows lengthen
Round the dial of their life;
Theirs the trust of friend and neighbor,
And an age serene and hale,
When machines shall do the labor,
Of the strong arm and the flail,
Of the stout heart and the flail—
Great machines perform the labor
Of the good old-fashioned flail.

But when, blessed among women,
And when, honored among men,
They look around them, can the brimming
Of their utmost wishes then
Give them happiness completer?
And can ease and wealth avail
To make any music sweeter
Than the pounding of the flail?
Oh, the sounding of the flail?
Never music can be sweeter
Than the beating of the flail!

—Harper's Magazine.

Pruning Fruit Trees.

There is but one proper time for pruning all kinds of fruit trees, which is during or about the period that the days are the longest.

The writer has pruned during every month of the year, and observed closely the effect of different seasons, and has become fully satisfied that the latter part of June is the only proper time for pruning. If the limbs to be removed are cut as closely to the trunk, or larger limbs, as is practicable and the wound made neatly and smoothly, and the work be done at the period that I have recommended, wounds two inches in diameter may, on a vigorous tree, be entirely healed over in a single year. No orchard of apple, pear or peach trees is benefitted by plowing or cultivating after the trees are five years old, but the ground should be mulched with anything that will shade it, and the mulching should always extend from the trunk to a line from two to three feet larger than that covered by the heads of the trees. This keeps the earth moist and friable at the locality of the principal root feeders of the tree, and by extending the mulching beyond the ends of the roots, they will be induced to extend themselves. The benefit is too apparent to require any comment from me. There is not a winter or spring-pruned orchard in the country, the trees of which are twenty years old, in which many of the trees have not hollow trunks. This is occasioned by injudicious pruning.

If the larger limb is amputated at the improper time, the wound will not heal over, the wood of the wound will die, crack and admit rain water, which, when warmed by the sun, combines the true elements of decomposition, viz: heat and moisture. Decay commences at the wood and continues to the trunk, until death ensues.

Healthy Dwelling Houses.

In a recent noteworthy and very elaborate paper on the proper mode of building houses so as to insure health, read by Dr. Hayward before the Liverpool Architectural Society, he enumerates various conditions essential to that purpose, the more important of which are a due exposure to fresh air and sunlight, positive freedom from damp, a large cubic space for air, and abundant means for the escape of foul and the admission of fresh air.—Dr. Hayward argues that it is essential that the air should be warmed previous to admission, and that ventilation is the great and main necessity of house-building; that whatever be left undone this should be especially attended to. In regard to the temperature of the admitted air, he says, that bed-rooms are often very improperly constructed and arranged, so that in Winter the sick occupant has to be in a current of air passing between the door-way and the fire-place—from 28 to 35 degrees temperature—while that of his body is nearly 100. To these bed-rooms, says Dr. Hayward, very many cases of consumption, bronchitis and asthma may be traced; furthermore, in fever cases much fresh air is required, and sometimes endeavor is made to obtain it even by opening the doors and windows, so that many typhus fever patients die of pneumonia, and many rheumatic fever cases also are prolonged and complicated. Drafts are equally pernicious in sitting-rooms, where persons may be roasted on one side and frozen on the other, resulting in neuralgia, rheumatism, colds, coughs, asthma, consumption, and a long train of similar ailments—the chilly lobby contributing materially to these results. Dr. Hayward urges the importance of a thorough reform in architectural construction in order to avoid these and other objections.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

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