

Farm and Household.

Something for Farmers. Dr. Holland, the popular editor of Scribner's Monthly, in a late number, gives some very excellent remarks upon the reason why farmers are so anxious to leave their homes and go to the cities for their life business.

"If the American farmer wishes to keep his children near him, he must learn the difference between living and getting a living; and we mistake him and his grade of culture altogether if he does not stop over this statement and wonder what we mean by it. To get a living, to make money, to become 'forehanded'—this is the whole of life to agricultural multitudes, discouraging in their numbers to contemplate.

"What is the remedy? How shall farmers manage to keep their children near them? How can we discourage the influx of unnecessary—nay, burdensome—populations into the cities? We answer; by making agricultural society attractive. Fill the farm houses with periodicals and books. Establish central reading rooms, or neighborhood clubs. Encourage the social meetings of the young. Have concerts, lectures, amateur dramatic associations. Establish a bright, active, social life, that shall give some significance to labor. Above all, build it possible, in villages. It is better to go a mile to one's daily labor than place one's self a mile away from a neighbor. The isolation of American farm life is the great curse of that life, and it falls upon the women with a hardship that men cannot appreciate, and drives the educated young away."

As to Disinfectants.

There are three or four principal disinfectants that answer all the purposes. They are chloride (in form of chloride of lime), sulphate of iron, iodine and carbolic acid. The per-manganate of potassa will do to correct fluids, but has little effect upon the atmosphere. For this is needed a volatile substance, any of which mentioned above will answer, except the last, sulphate of iron, (coppers), which is excellent to correct odors in spittoons, sewers, drains, etc. Apply a little from time to time in all these places. The grounds of coffee are also good, especially to scatter over moist places, where dish-water or kitchen refuse is thrown. For fumigation, iodine is perhaps the most efficient, being the most volatile, answering especially a good purpose in warm rooms, or in summer. Keep it exposed on plates in the room. Of a singular nature is the chloride, which readily distributes its gas through the room. This may be increased by adding an acid to the chloride; vinegar will answer the purpose. Injurious compounds in the air are thus effectually destroyed. But the great disinfectant, whose object is to rid the air of the germs which breed disease and give rise to or aggravate pestilence and fatal epidemics, is now popular carbolic acid. Its odor, like that of chloride, is sometimes made an objection, but generally it is not considered disagreeable, and is even liked by some. All should tolerate it with the rest of its kin, as it is a true friend, keeping evil at bay, destroying it where it exists. Thus there are many means to meet the end. Thoroughly ventilated rooms or fresh air is another means. Hence all well-arranged dwellings have ventilators; have conduits to carry off waste water and foul fluids; have the various odors quelled by disinfectants. These disinfectants are cheap, and should be kept in use.

About the Use of Soap.

Without giving any receipts for making soap, I wish to tell all the hard worked farmers' wives how much labor they may save by not using such vast quantities of this article. For nearly five years I have used soap only for washing clothes. In all that time I have not used one pound of soap for washing dishes and other kitchen purposes. My family has ranged from three to twenty-five. I have used cistern water composed of other ingredients besides lime, and I find with all these my plain works equally well. It is this: Have your water quite hot and add a very little milk to it. This softens the water, gives the dishes a fine gloss and preserves the hands; it removes the grease, even that from beef, and yet no grease is ever found floating on the water, as when soap is used. The sponges I always set on the stove, with a little water in them, when the vitals are taken from them; thus they are hot when I am ready to wash them, and the grease is easily removed.

Just try my plan, you too, to day after day, every spring to make that barrel of soap, and let us hear how it succeeds with you. I like the great barrel of soap on washing day, but an glad to be able to dispense with its aid on all other occasions. I find that my sponges keep bright longer cleaned in this way than by using soap or scouring. The habit so many of us have acquired of scouring tins is a wasteful policy; the present style of tinware will not bear it. The tin is soon scrubbed away and a vessel that is fit for nothing left on our hands; but if washed in the way I have described, the tin is preserved, and is always bright and clean.—Herald New Yorker.

Miscellaneous.

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