

The happiest men who live by toil are those who cultivate the soil.

Success in Farming.

A correspondent of the New England Farmer thinks it unfortunate that so many complaints of ill-success in farming are continually published, and points out that the extent to which it is conducted on borrowed capital, is in most cases the secret of the difficulty.

Readers of agricultural papers do not often find successful farmers relating their experience, and giving such details of the management of their business as would encourage others to persevere.

Richard Roe buys John Doe's farm for \$7,500, pays \$3,000 down, and gives a mortgage for \$4,500 at 8 per cent. expecting to make a living for himself and family, pay Mr. Doe \$30 a month interest, and have a net 3 or 4 per cent. at the end of the year on \$7,500, it brings no surprise to me that Mr. Roe finds such farming don't pay.

Those farmers who had so little foresight as to buy more land than they could handle, are simply doing what numbers of men in other callings have done, and will do, for all time, giving way to men who know how to handle money.

Farmers who are wide awake and given to investigation don't sow so much wheat per acre as they formerly did, and they don't sow it so deep.

Thomas smoothing harrow will cover the seed deep enough. A Wisconsin writer gives the result of an experiment in planting at different depths, on the surface, one-fourth inch, one-half inch, three-fourth inch, and so on to several inches.

Eat Onions.

Few people dream of the many virtues of onions, and those few are enthusiastic for the beneficent bulb, and believe it a panacea for every ill.

THE New York Tribune says: "It is folly to keep old sheep. They should be turned off to the butcher while they are in their prime. It does not take half so much to fatten them then. When they get old and thin, in order to put them in condition to slaughter, the whole superstructure must be rebuilt.

CONCRETE for foundations is formed of five parts of gravel and sand to one part of fresh burned lime, ground to powder without slaking and measured dry.

OWING to the remarkably dry weather of the past few weeks plowing has been somewhat retarded, but the corn and potatoes have been gathered in good condition.

Be Ready.

When friends visit us unexpectedly, we make no apology for the work at which they may find us; but if they have notified us that on a certain day they will be with us, we arrange our work so as to be ready to receive and entertain them.

There's a guest coming to each one of us, who has sent us word, "Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." To some he will send another messenger that will become very tedious perhaps.

The ready Christian is not taken by surprise, but is ever ready to step into the chariot and ascend the hill of God. "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" is his last shout.

Only Christians.

John Wesley once was troubled in regard to the disposition of the various sects, and the chances of each in reference to future happiness or punishment.

"Are there any Roman Catholics here?" asked the thoughtful Wesley. "Yes," was the reply. "Any Presbyterians?" "Yes," was again the answer.

"Are there any Roman Catholics here?" "No," was replied. "Any Presbyterians?" "No." "Any Congregationalists?" "No."

Made for Immortality.

It cannot be that earth is man's only abiding place. It cannot be that our life is a bubble, cast off by the ocean of eternity to float a moment upon its waves and then sink into darkness and nothingness.

WORKING TOGETHER FOR GOOD.—God says that "all things shall work together for good to them that love Him," and our experience has repeatedly illustrated the statement.

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