The Boys at Work.

RAISING BY 138 MAINE BOYS .-- AN a beam of hope. EXAMPLE WORTHY OF WIDEIMITATION.

crop, and report at the Town House in tude. Alfred on October 25. Each boy was re quired to fill out the blanks furnished, giving a full account of the time of plowresults obtained by 138 of the boys, some 75 of whom were present with their pa rents and many others, at the time of maan epitome of some of the results. The ears were reckoned at 70 lbs. for a shelled

The average yield of the whole 138 Observer trials was just about 100 bushels of shelled corn per acre. The first prize was awarded to Moses Milliken, of Biddeford, for 160 bushels per acre. 2d to David J. Morrell, of Cornish, 153 bushels. The of Dayton, 144 bushels; Willie B. Moore 24 produced 100 to 109 bushels-making him back. 72 boys who grew 100 bushels and upward. the boys getting the lesser crops were entitled to high praise for their efforts.

This shows what can be done in produc ing corn in a county in Maine, lying between 43° and 44° of north latitude. Not having the reports before us, we cannot judge as to the profit of such crops, the we concerned as to this in the present case. The important result is the effect upon the boys themselves, and upon many other boys in the county and elsewhere. These boys were led to think, reason, observe. They will each examine into how and why this and that one succeeded better or often given to some fast "nag"-be apupon the stage a very few years hence.

P. S .-- Mr. Allen is so pleased with the prizes of \$200, \$50. and five prizes of \$10 -Exchange. to the boys of the entire State, who shall produce the most corn from one-eighth acre during 1880. Those not over 18 years, who desire to compete, will send their name and address to Hon. B. F. Hamilton, President Maine Agricultural Agriculturist, Jan. 1.

where there are long periods of hot weath- dark river. er. There are also cases frequently occur ring in which diseases of the feet might be alleviated by the temporary use of shoes cut, from raw hide on proceed and of a pious and intelligent wife and shoes cut from raw-hide or properly prepared sole leather. With these, that portion of the foot which needs the most pretion of the foot which needs shoes cut from raw-hide or properly pre- the father of two or three little children. much protected, will reach the ground and become subjected to healthful action. For stones and gravel, this kind of shoe will the ascendancy, he will say, and even ocbe useful during the summer season. A casionally write to his little daughter, "I well filled with hot pine tar to make it hard and waterproof, will be sufficient my soul" for general use. A more durable shoe may be made of two or more thicknesses, fastened together by copper rivets.

In all our cropping and planting we should remember that the farm is our capital and increasing its producing capacity means adding to our principal, while it is taking away the "means by which we

The Humingdon Journal. Around the Fireside.

Awful Happy.

In the experiences and observations of the city missionary there are lights and shades quickly alternating, and in the most miserable homes some comfort is left ANTERESTING EXPERIMENTS IN CORN and in the saddest heart there still lingers

A frail despondent women, who had often to be lifted up from deep depression Stillman B. Allen, esq., for many years and urged to look for help from the loving past in successful business in Boston, re- One, would seem to realize that Jesus was tains a lively interest in the place where a sympathizing friend, and that He would he spent his boyhood, a quarter of a centu- uphold her by His grace. But her faith ry or more ago-York County, Me. One was so weak that she was soon brought of the ways of manifesting this interest is down again almost to despair. On one in stimulating the boys of the present day occasion she was found by the visitor to observation, thought and experiment. weeping with apparently a very intense Last spring he offered \$200 in seven prizes sorrow. She was approached with words --one of \$100, one of \$50, and five of \$10 of comfort and an inquiry as to what was cach -to the boys in the county under 17 the occasion of her tears. After some years of age, who should produce the most effort, she said: "I am so awful happy I Indian corn upon one eighth of an acre. dont't know what to do." This was re-Each boy intending to compete was to peated two or three times before she send his name before May 1st, to the could explain that the Lord was so good to her, she could not help weeping for joy. Society, who had charge of awarding the When she came to mention the special prizes. About two hundred boys reported. tokens of his goodness that made so deep A committee of one or more men was an impression on her mind, they proved to appointed in each town to measure every be just such common mercies as others of parcel of ground, and to be present at the his children are receiving every day with harvesting, husking, and weighing of the little emotion, and often without any grati-

A man and his wife, who were utterly devoid of religion, and who often drank to excess, were at length persuaded to attend ing, planting, kind of seed corn, and full a mission prayer meeting. They were particulars as to manure, cultivation etc. frequently visited at their home, which (These blanks will be bound in book form was not a happy one, and they were pressed by Mr. Allen, and kept in the archieves to accept the offers of the gospel. Their of the County Agricultural Society for need of a saviour was repeatedly urged reference and use) We have before us upon their attention, until they became the report of Mr John Hall, President of thoughtful and began in good earnest the Society, giving a full account of the to seek the Lord. It was not long before light dawned upon their way, and they gave their hearts to the love and practice of the truth and were received into the king the reports. We regret not to have company of Christ's followers. They are been among the number to have seen the now active in Christian service, upholding displays of the specimens of corn, and the meetings in their neighborhood and especially to have seen the bright eyed, inviting persons to come in. There is enterprising boys. We have space for but light in their dwelling, and their door is always open to all who desire to do good, and one noticeable outcome of their new Note and Letter Heads, life is their love for the brethren -N. Y

A Telegram from Heaven.

There was a young man once employed as a clerk in a telegraph office in England. next five prizes went to A. O Bennett, of In some way or other God had led him to Waterboro, 145 bushels; Cyrus H. Smith, see that he was a sinner, and this caused him great distress of mind. Like a poor of Limerick, 142 bushels; Charlie G' lamb in the mountains, he felt that he had Austin, of Lebanon, 141 bushels; and wandered from God's fold, and was a lost Arthur M Deering, of Waterboro, 140 sheep. But he could not tell where to bushels. Six boys raised 131 to 137 find the Shepherd, or how to get back to bushels per acre; 12 raised 120 to 127 his fold. But Jesus, the Good Shepherd, bushels; 23 produced 110 to 119 bushels; took a singular way to find him and bring

The young man went to his office one 22 others produced from 90 to 99 bushels | morning in great distress of mind from the per acre. 29 obtained 75 to 89 bushels, burden of his sins. He was lifting up his only 15 fell below 75 bushels of shell- heart in secret and saying: "God be mered corn per acre. Doubtless, owing to ciful to me a sinner," when the click of poor soil, lack of fertilizers, etc., many of the telegraph machine before him told him that a message was coming. He looked and saw that it was from Windermere, up Indeed we commend every boy who had among the beautiful lakes of England .the intelligence and spirit to enter the There was first the name and residence of the person to whom the telegram was sent, and then followed these words from the Bible: "Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world; in whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to cost of manure, cultivation, etc., nor are the riches of his grace." And then followed the name of the person sending it.

This was a strange message to send by telegraph. The explanation of it was this. Now for BARGAINS The telegram was sent to a servant girl living in that town. She was in great distress of mind about her sins, and trying to find Jesus. She had a brother who was poorer than themselves. They will be a Christian; he was a servant in the fambetter thinkers and workers hereafter. ily of a gentleman who was spending the Mr. Allen's thoughtful offer will be worth summer at the lakes. This poor girl had to his native county, in the far reaching written to her brother, telling the trouble future results, more than ten of thousands she was in, and asking him the great quesof dollars expended in some ways that tion, "What must I do to be saved?"might have been selected. We heartily Her brother had no time to write to her wish there might be a Stillman Allen for just then, so he sent this telegram. The every county in the whole country; and poor girl found her way to Jesus through where there is not, we suggest that a like those sweet words from her brother. And DRESS GOODS, sum-if necessary one of the \$200 prizes so did that young man in the telegraph office. This was a telegram from heaven propriated by the Society to the benefit of to him. Those precious words, "Lamb of some hundreds of youth. The boys of "17 God," "sins taken away," "redemption and under" of to day, are to be the actors through His grace," brought him to Jesus, and he found peace in him. The Good Shepherd made use of the telegraph wire result in York County that he now offers to bring one of his lost sheep to Himself. and everything usually found in a first-class store

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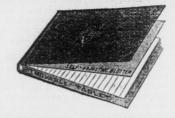
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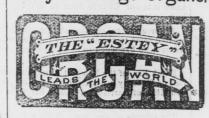
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