- The cows are housed, the milking done
  The sheep are in the fold;
  I hear the vespers of the birds
  Across the dewy world.
  The mowers from the marsh come late,
  The sunset bells have tolled.
  I see them loom, like sithouettes,
  Against the sunset gold.
- And, flushing o'er their loosened sails, From some last, lingering ray, A fleet of homeward fishing boats
- Comes rippling up the bay.
  I hear the closing of the forge
  That clinks across the way,
  And, as he doffs his frock, the strain
  Of George's roundelay.
- Another minute, and with a bound,
- Another minute, and with a bound,
  He will beside me be,
  While fisher John comes from the wharves
  And Joseph from the lea.
  My heart is torn to choose betwixt,
  With all a wooing me;
  I think—perhaps 't wil as well—
  To try and love all three.

  Boston Transcript.

  J. C. C.

#### Seeding Down-Manuring.

A very sensible farmer writes to a con temporary giving his views as to seeding down, and surface manuring, from which we glean and condense as follows:

He aims to keep his land mainly in grass, in the following manner, viz., by seeding down on every crop of offal wheat; to mow and pasture for one, two or three years; then cut the first crop of clover early, let the second get a good start, plow it under, turn it over again when well rotted, sowing the seed on the rotted sward so turned up, stirring the surface well with cultivator and harrow. Clover sown on land so treated takes better than when no fibers or roots are lest in the ground. The frost does not harm the clover or kill it, as when sown on naked fallow. He finds plaster of great value. Sowed plaster on a portion of one piece this last season, and that was far more successful than any not so treated.

A year ago as he states, he spread barn yard manure on the surface of the land, and plowed it under on one-half of the field, on the other half spreading the manure on the surface after the wheat was sown, giving it a raking over with the the soil as deep as three in the other case So, reasoning as this man reasons, draw that farmers as a rule, wait for rain in the and the fall rain, when it comes, happens that it is more profitable to use three horses, when the land is so dry as to require this, getting the work along seasona bly, when no other work is in the way, rather than to delay unduly late, as many have done the past season, hurrying over the work without giving it due care and attention .- Western Farm Journal.

#### The Food Question.

The question is one of no inconsiderable importance as to the best means of furn ishing foed for our stock during the winter, in localities where the drought of the past summer and fall was so severe as to despoil the meadows at an earlier day than usual of this usual product A writer upon the subject says:

Suggestions may be of use, although every farmer must exercise his best judgment in selecting the method best suited to his case. When there is a supply of straw, well sheltered, it can be made availa ble by cutting and mixing ground grain or bran. A good way to prepare it is to cut it half an inch in length, and on ten pounds of the cut straw spread four or five pounds of meal and wheat bran, mixed in equal parts by weight; moisten well and stir the mass until the meal is evenly distributed, let the mixture stand a few hours, if it can be done without freezing, then feed. Cattle may be kept all winter by this plan, as well as on the best of hay. A little observation will enable the farmer to regulate the amount of the mess to the exact need. There is one trouble in keep ing horses on cut straw-it is too apt to make their mouths sore, for the sharp ends do better supplied with loose straw, uncut and sufficient grain to meet the require ment. Cutting straw and mixing ground preparing it, which every farmer must way to lengthen out a short supply of fod God ?-Presbyterian. der, and as cheap as any other. It re quires work, it is true, but it economizes cost and insures thrift to the cattle.

### Farm Seeds to the Acre

Wheat broadcast, from a bushel and three pecks to two bu-hels-a bushel and a half is enough, sown in drill

Rye, same as wheat Barley, two bushels and a half, broad-

cast-two bushels in drill. Buckwheat, one bushel.

Corn, in hill, about a gallon and a half. Sorghum, from two to three quarts. Timothy grass, sowh in fall to be follow

Red clover, to be sown in spring on timothy, one and a half to two gallons Sown by itself, double the above quantity.

Red top grass, one and a half to two only as a day of rest, but by the Christian bushels. A bushel is fourteen pounds by it is especially appreciated when he reads that the Lord blessed the Sabbath day

Having just received a fine assortment of Stamps from the east, I am now prepared to do Stamping for

Orchard grass, same as red top German Millet, from three pecks to a

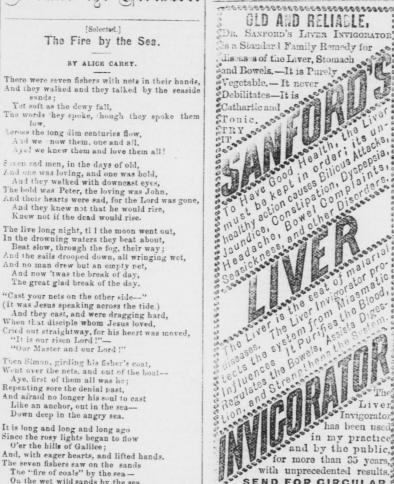
Turnips and rutabages, one pound. Irish potatoes, from twelve to fifteen Around the Fireside.

The Fire by the Sea.

BY ALICE CAREY.

low, leross the long dim centuries flow,

Aye! we knew them and love them all!



(It was Jesus speaking across the tide.)
And they cast, and were dragging hard,
When that disciple whom Jesus loved,
Cried out straightway, for his heart was moved,
"It is our risen Lord!"—
"Our Master and our Lord!"

Cast your nets on the other side-"

Then Simon, girding his fisher's coat, Went over the nets, and out of the bont Aye, first of them all was he; Repenting sore the denial past, And afraid no longer his soul to cast Like an anchor, out in the sea— Down deep in the angry sea.

It is long and long and long ago
Since the rosy lights began to flow
O'er the hills of Galilee;
And, with eager hearts, and lifted hands.
The seven fishers saw on the sands
The "fire of coals" by the sea
On the wet wild sands by the sea. It is long ago, yet faith in our souls, Is kindled now by that fire of coals That streamed o'er the mists of the sea, When Peter, girding his fisher's coat, Went over the net, and out of the boat

#### True Test of Piety.

What is the true test of piety? Plain matter of-fact, unecstatic obedience as of a child to a father; that is the test. The only true joy is born of such obedience. Eestacies that come from any other source do not belong to the legitimate family circle of heavenly joys. They are the result of that which it does not take heaven to explain. They can be produced at any time on any occasion by a combination of earthly forces. Singing can produce them. A sympathetic voice can charge the mys harrow. That portion on which the tie thrill along the nerves till they tingle manure was plowed under, outgrew the Eloquence can produce them. How often other, materially. He finds that land under the orator's power men and women plowed when dry, requiring three horses, weep, groan and shout in loud acclaim! to yield much better returns than when The mesmeric influence which hovers over plowed wet, when two horses are able to turn a vast audience as electric light hovers over marsh lands during a summer heat can communicate by subtle and untracea ing his conclusions from the yearly result ble potency its deceptive and transitory upon his farm, we have long been satisfied excitement, so that the vast multitude shall be charged full of the current whose fall while they should be at work Portions expression might deceive the very elect. of many fields upon our prairie land in. Many suppose that this kind of feeling is cline to be too wet in almost any season, legitimate, spiritual, and represents the real power of God. Yea, many gauge to be copious, all such land will be render. their piety by the presence or absence of Always on hand in endless variety, and made to be copious, all such land will be render. Their piety by the presence or absence of order on short notice and reasonable terms. ed too wet, and very likely only the very these feelings; which are feelings that highest places in the field will be in just reach no further than the muscles, and the right state for tillage. The farmer we have their home in nothing more divine quote from has doubtless carefully proven than the nervous tissues. The piety of the truth of this position, and has found, Jesus consisted in obedience. His great as all other farmers would no doubt find, aim was to do the will of God. He loved God perfectly, and so perfectly fulfilled the law; and so had perfect happiness Obedience to God lies in natural duties as truly as what are known as technically spiritual The perfect life stands parent

#### to the perfect joy .- Golden Rule. Christian Work.

Cast thy bread upon the waters; for thou shall find it after many days - Eccl.

In the morning sow thy seed, and in the vening withhold not thine hand; for thou knowest not whether it shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good .- Eccl. xi. 6.

Let your light shine before men, that hey may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven .- Matt. v.

Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples .- John xv. 8.

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to Christianity, could not stand. ed by clover in spring, from one and a half nor into remote places to gather it, since it has rained down from heaven, at our our doors, or rather within them

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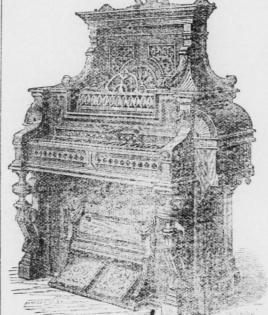
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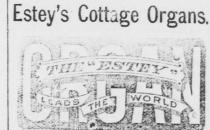
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