

HOW I BECAME A FARMER

Valuable Experience of a Farmer Turned of Farmer.

Will you allow me a little space to record my experience?—not because it contains anything very remarkable, nor that I think it valuable because it is mine, but that others who are situated as I was, perhaps, may see to realize what they have been long waiting to secure, a home in the country.

Having no capital, I was obliged to remain a journeyman, or do piece work, and any one knowing the active competition that has prevailed in this business, can readily believe that after making both ends meet, at the year's end there were but little left to lap over with.

In the Spring of 1851 I received an offer to work in a village in this country, which I gladly accepted, as it brought me one step nearer what I desired. I looked about for a place in a little village, where I could have a piece of land to cultivate, believing that I could make a beginning, I could work out to the end.

I found a comfortable house with two acres of ground attached, at a moderate rent, and it would have done you good to see the delight of the little ones when we took possession. They had never conceived of such extensive playgrounds, having always been confined to a narrow back yard, and an occasional walk in the crowded city streets.

I stipulated with my employer for time enough to work my garden, and make a commencement. It was a awkward business to assure you. My neighbors must have laughed at my simple questions, but they were very kind and kindling me; I had the satisfaction of seeing my own vines and eating their fruit and the probability of some day being under my own fig tree became quite inspiring. Being entirely ignorant, I was not afraid to try what I saw recommended, and thought I was sometimes laughed at for following the book, as they called it, I learned, a time, that printed experience was often as valuable as that learned by word of mouth—in fact some of my vegetables raised in what they called "new fashioned ways," were far superior to any that my neighbors could show.

To be sure, I had many failures at first. The hens scratched out some of my finest seeds, and some of my plantings turned out nothing, because of my ignorance, but at the end of the first summer, I found that by working morning and evening, with an occasional day when the weeds threatened to get the start of me and with only a little paid out for manuring, ploughing and preparing the ground, I had a full supply of choice vegetables for the family, had sold enough to help to pay the store bills, and had learned sufficiently to try gardening on a larger scale the next season.

I then ventured to hire two acres additional, in which, besides giving better pasture for my cow, I could plant a patch of potatoes and another of corn. It was a good year with me. A large strawberry plot which I had set out the previous Spring, yielded finely. The fruit sold at good prices, and brought me nearly \$40. Other products of my garden were even beyond expectations, and the corn and potatoes would have done honor to any farmer. This was not all. The family was never so healthy, and my two boys were becoming quite expert in the garden, to their advantage and mine also. We worked hard, but we saw the faults of our labor and we were content.

I now felt safe to invest my little capital of a few hundred dollars in buying a place which I could call my own; and the next Spring received a deed for ten acres of land, a little more distant from the village, but yet near enough to enable me to continue my regular business. I did not feel quite ready to give up my trade, at which I could make a comfortable living, though it was becoming more and more irksome, and I longed for the time when I could lay down the saw and the plane, and take hold of the plow and the hoe. This year I hired a young man to assist in working my new land.

of land the first season, and depended upon cultivating it for a living. I am convinced I should have failed, with the loss of my capital and my courage, had I gone grubbing back to the shop. Now, my wife and I shall feel as happy as mortals can ordinarily, and I am prepared to say to my brother mechanics, "go and do likewise."

THE TREASURY NOTE BILL

The bill reported from the Committee of Ways and Means in the House of Representatives on Wednesday provides that, for temporary purposes, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to issue, on the credit of the United States, one hundred millions of dollars of United States notes, not bearing interest, payable to bearer, at the Treasury, or at the office of the Assistant Treasurer, in the city of New York, at the pleasure of the United States, and of such denominations as he may deem expedient, not less than five dollars each, and such notes, and all other United States notes, payable on demand, not bearing interest heretofore authorized, shall be receivable for all debts due the United States, and for all salaries, debts and demands owing by the United States to individuals, corporations and associations within the United States, and shall also be lawful money and a legal tender in payment of all debts, public or private, within the United States, and any holder of said United States notes depositing any sum not less than fifty dollars, or other than a multiple of fifty, with the Treasurer of the United States, or either of the assistant treasurers, or either of the designated depositories at Cincinnati or Baltimore, shall receive in exchange therefor duplicate certificates of deposit, one of which may be transmitted to the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall thereupon issue to the holder an equal amount in bonds of the United States, coupon or registered, as may be desired, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent., and redeemable at the pleasure of the government after twenty years from date, or in sums not less than twenty-five hundred dollars for which, if requested, the Secretary, if he deems it expedient, may issue similar bonds, the principal and interest of which may be expressed in the currency of any foreign country and payable there, and such United States notes shall be received the same as coin, at their par value, in payment of any bonds that may be hereafter negotiated by the Secretary of the Treasury, and may be re-issued from time to time as the exigencies of the public service may require. There shall be printed on the back of the United States notes which may be issued under the provisions of this act the following words:—"The within note is a legal tender for the payment of all debts public and private, and is exchangeable for bonds of the United States, bearing six per cent. interest." To enable the Secretary of the Treasury to fund the Treasury notes and floating debt of the United States, he is authorized to issue on the credit of the United States, coupon bonds, or registered bond, to an amount not exceeding five hundred millions of dollars, and redeemable at the pleasure of the Government after twenty years from date and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually; and the bonds herein authorized shall be of such denominations, not less than fifty dollars, as may be determined upon by the Secretary of the Treasury, or in sums not less than twenty-five hundred dollars, for which, if requested, the Secretary, if he deems it expedient, may issue similar bonds, the principal and interest of which may be expressed in the currency of any foreign country and payable there. The foreign is authorized to issue the said bonds at their par value, to any creditor or creditors of the United States who may elect to receive them in satisfaction of their demands, provided that all such claims or demands shall have been first audited and settled by the proper accounting officers of the Treasury; and the Secretary of the Treasury may also exchange such bonds at any time for lawful money of the United States, or for any of the Treasury notes that have been or may hereafter be issued under any former act of Congress, or that may be issued under the provisions of this act. The United States notes and bonds authorized by this act, as those that have been heretofore authorized shall be signed by the Treasurer of the United States, or for the Treasurer by such persons as may be specially appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury for such purpose, and shall be countersigned by the Register of the Treasury, or for the Register, by such persons as the Secretary of the Treasury may specially appoint for such purpose; and all the provisions of the act entitled "to authorize the issue of Treasury notes," approved the 23d day of December, 1857, so far as they can be applied to this act, and not inconsistent therewith are revived and re-enacted, and the sum of three hundred thousand dollars is appropriated to enable the Secretary of the Treasury to carry the act into effect.

He who knows his ignorance is the possessor of the rarest kind of valuable knowledge.

He is but a cold lover that wouldn't die exultingly if he might be hung with his sweetheart's garter.

Poor men like good viands, are often dressed with "pepper and salt."

It is not necessary to give further details. I am now a farmer, and have arrived at my dignity one step at a time. My place is not a large one, only 25 acres, but six of those are in fruit, and I count their produce equal to all the rest. The great point I want to made for the benefit of others, is, that a change to farming, to be successful, must be made gradually. There are thousands of discouraged mechanics that can do as I have done, if they will but work patiently, and be content to become farmers by inches.

If I had bought twenty-five acres

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County Officers. Clerk of Court, Samuel Linn, Bellefonte. Sheriff, John I. Cutler, Clearfield. Prothonotary, James Wright, Clearfield.

Justices of the Peace. Clearfield, Clearfield. Clearfield, Clearfield. Clearfield, Clearfield.

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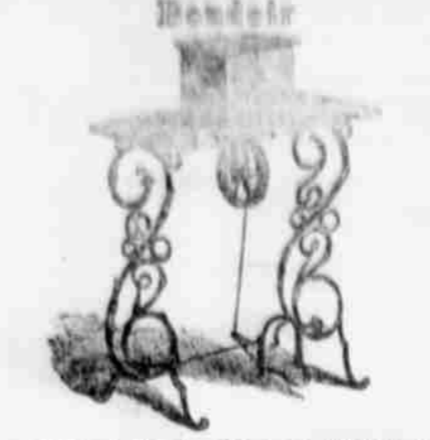
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SEWING MACHINE

The HURD'S SEWING MACHINE, an engraving of which is here represented, has now been introduced, and is, beyond question, the best, as well as the handsomest, low-priced Sewing Machine now before the public.

The following Premiums Awarded the above Machine: At the Fair of the Franklin Institute, 1858 the First Premium.

At the Pennsylvania State Fair, at Philadelphia, September 21, 1859, the First Premium—a Diploma.

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At the New Jersey County Fair, held at Wilmington, Delaware, October, 1859—a Diploma.

The above Machines are manufactured by CHARLES W. HOWLAND, Wilmington, Del.

Wake up! Wake up! BLACKSMITHING. The subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public generally, that he is now well established in a NEW SHOP on Pine street, opposite the Town Hall, in the borough of Clearfield.

McCullough & Co. Importers and Wholesale Dealers in CARPETS, DRUGS, OILS, COALS, &c.

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MOUTH WASH

A SURE REMEDY FOR A BAD BREATH, SORE MOUTHS, CANKER, DISEASED BLEEDING GUMS, NURSING SORE MOUTH, And the best specific now in use for ANY diseased condition of the mouth. It is particularly beneficial to persons wearing

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CHAIRS!! CHAIRS!! NOW IS THE TIME TO BUY!! The undersigned has now on hand, at his Furniture Rooms on Market st., Clearfield, Pa., a short distance west of Litt's Foundry, a large stock of CHAIRS OF ALL KINDS, manufactured out of the best material, finished in a very superior manner, and which he will sell LOW FOR CASH. His long experience in the business makes him feel confident that his chairs are made in a substantial and workmanlike manner, and will stand the test of trial. Persons wishing to purchase chairs should call at once and get them while they can be had at the lowest rates. JOHN TROUTMAN, Mar. 27, 1861-62.

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