

FARMERS' COLUMN.



Co-operation Among Farmers.

Many farmers are not successful because they do not know how to do their work in a systematic way. It is a great mistake to have work scattered all over a farm—two or three little pieces of corn on one end of the farm; potatoes in the other, and so on. It is better to have one large piece of corn in one place than two in separate places. It takes time to go from one place to the other with teams and tools, and that when the time is most valuable. Every farmer should have a proper rotation in regard to what fields he should plow, and what crops he raises. System must be applied to everything on a farm to make it go well. "A place for everything and everything in its place," is the only sure rule to go by. This is one secret of the success at Echo Farm. Mr. Starr applied the same system to farming that he did to a successful business, and all goes like clockwork. In this way more is accomplished than by spasmodic effort, by which not much is accomplished, and one is soon tired out. Farmers also fail in another respect in that they might as well as not accomplish a given purpose, and that is in co-operation. When our country was first settled, it was only by helping one another that they opened roads through the forest, built bridges, barns, houses, &c., and which all who would help assisted. "Spill" were often held, and attended by all in the neighborhood, to clear up fields, move logs or draw wood. A certain writer on political economy says: "A single person working by himself in agriculture will not, it seems plain, obtain more food than that which he requires for his subsistence. Several persons combining their labor in the most simple operations in agriculture, will obtain more food than they require. They will obtain a surplus produce and that surplus produce may either be used as capital or for the employment of more labor." Now if farmers would co-operate in both capital and labor, much more for their common good would be accomplished. In many sections of our country this great principle is carried out. The sugar movement is only a co-operation to resist combination on the part of middlemen and railroad corporations. Cheese factories and creameries are also the practical results of farmers' combining for their own profit. It is evident to all that much labor now wasted in making up our dairy products could be saved by a movement of this kind. The fact that by this system a much better class of either butter or cheese is made out to be a sufficient reason to embark in it. If we would combine our capital and labor in the same way that dairymen do in the "factory system," we could have a much better class of tools with which to labor. Many farmers would like to buy improved machinery but for the fact that he could use it but one or two days in the year, and it would not pay him to buy for this alone. By combining in many neighborhoods a reaper or a threshing machine or some expensive tool could be bought, so that each could have the use of it at a small cost, and then work would be expedited. We New England farmers must come to this if we expect to compete with the West in the finer class of dairy goods which now supplies our markets. Many of the hotels in our smaller cities are supplied with butter from Illinois and Wisconsin—creamy butter. It is because we here in New England cannot make as good butter as they, or because we do not co-operate so as to manufacture it in a systematic way as they do? I am inclined to think it is because we do not keep up to the times in this respect. I am certain that in many localities there are places where factories could be built to advantage, if the farmers would make and do it by joint stock associations. By doing our work in this way, we would make a much better class of goods, lessen the labor for our families, and add to our incomes. The time is coming when we must do this or else "knuckle under" to the great West in the very thing in which we have always thought we could compete with her. We have a better market, nearer home, and can get a better price if we will only make as good goods. It is said (and I am not certain but it is so) that of all classes of men, the farmer is the most suspicious of his fellows. If this is so (I do not say it is) it may be accounted for by the fact that farmers live such isolated lives, see so little of their neighbors, and read so little. Take men from the cities who see much of each other, and the rough edges of distrust, of malice, or the things which tend to make one get on one's feet by their daily contact with their fellows. In a word, there is often more good feeling among the cities than there is among the farmers. Let us men than those who have lived all their lives in the country, and this may in a measure account for the readiness with which they hasten to take advantage of the best ways to better themselves. If farmers expect to overcome the hard times and excessive competition, they can only do it by throwing prejudice to the winds and taking advantage of the best things by which they are surrounded. Better things do not succeed because they are too good to be experimented as it were, to find some more profitable way of getting along than the one they are in. If they have cattle, they must change to sheep; if they have sheep, they must change to hogs. They are just about to make their fortune, forgetting it is only by a steady plow they can succeed. One of our keenest observers of New England farm life says: "It is now now-a-days to find a son doing as his father did, and working the farm with the experience of generations. We have reform, improvement, and change; new buildings, new tools and conveniences, and new methods of raising money and labor, and all involving loss and waste. These changes have been so rapid that many of our conservative farmers do not think of any change themselves, but merely wait at the wheel, and let the wind blow as it will." I am inclined to think that in some respects we have gone too far, and there is a happy medium between these two extremes. (Herald in the Country Gentleman.)

AMONG THE POETS

And on her lover's arm she leant,
And noted how warm she felt it fold,
And down the dusky street they went
Where soda and tea-cream are sold.

THE PEDI-METER.

One of the most curious little instruments brought out lately, says Eli Perkins, is the pedimeter, a small machine about the size of a watch, which you carry in your pocket to denote the distance you travel on foot or on horseback. It is a very accurate machine. A friend of mine put one in his pocket the other day and walked from the Fifth Avenue Hotel to the Central Park and back. Strange to say, it marked the distance as accurately as a surveyor could measure it. The little machine works this way: It tells the number of steps you take during a given time. To get the length of these steps you take an average. That is, you walk 200 feet then count the number of steps; divide the number of inches traveled by the number of steps, and you will have the length of your average step. Then set the pedimeter and start.

The other morning a young married lady, Mrs. ———, who had an idea that her husband was "making" it too much when he ought to be in his office attending to business, put a pedimeter in his pocket. Kissing his wife good-by, the innocent husband snatched out and took the stage. He said a dashing widow, who took him up to Central Park to see the animals, or rather to carry on a flirtation on some of those low-ery seats, rooted with woodbine and ivy. After promading through the park, visiting the seals, the ostriches, the baby lions, and the museum, the sentimental husband returned home. "Ah, ducky, where have you been—you look all tired out?" asked the wife, as she kissed him as usual. "Oh, down to the office; the same old drudgery. Oh, yet, I'm so glad to get back to my little wifey."

"Did you take the stage at the door, sweet?" asked the wife tenderly. "Yes, love; and I was too tired to walk home. Why, I never went out to lunch; I was so busy."

"Just out and write all day darling, did you?" "Yes, darling, all day long. Oh, I'm so tired!" "Let me see your pocket-book, precious," continued the wife; "I want to put something in it." Then she opened it and took out the little pedimeter. "Oh, Edward!" she screamed as she held it up. "What, Caroline?" "Why here you've traveled eleven miles since morning. Where have you been? How could you? O, you wicked, wicked man, to desert your wife so!" "But, Caroline—"

"Don't be so, Edward! You've been walking around all day. You couldn't have been near the office at all. Oh, you naughty, naughty man! I'm going home to my mother; I won't live with you another day. Now, who was she? Who was the lady?" "Why, Caroline, I met Mrs. Swaps, our clergyman's wife, and—"

"So you didn't, she's been with me all day! O Edward!" and then she burst into tears. That night that poor, heart-broken husband awoke by all the pedimeters in heaven or earth that he'd never lie to his wife again. He even took a pew in the church next to his mother-in-law; every Sunday now sees him with a pedimeter in his pocket measuring his way to church.

A MOVING INCIDENT. "File out your new children," said Mrs. Amasa Meekmore early one morning several days before the first, "Hups out in haste about it. Don't give me no rent, paid for six years habitation for de last four month, so we got to slide out 'fore movin' day. File out now I done told you. Fast thing you know dat sly ole nigger Jackson 'll slip round and seize all de furniture for rent. Yah, Roscoe, you Roscoe Cuckin! None of your tryin' to slide off! Come back yah dis mornin' an' carry de cook stove out de back door! One of you gals 'll have to look after this infant child. Yah, you Agnes Jenks! you take B. B. Hayes from de cradle and don't let him look no' arm for one minute. Now mind what I tell you. In de confusion of dis hour his only survivin' parent won't have no time to look after him."

Late in the evening, when the light had been safely extinguished, the thoughts of Mrs. Meekmore once more turned to her youngest boy. "You Agnes Jenks! What's dat Agnes Jenks? Come yah to yo' mudder. What's yo' infant child? What's dis child happened to B. B. Hayes?" "Deed, num twant my fault! I jes laid him down to help Roscoe Cuckin! for a minute, and wen I went back dar was ole Jackson jes a walk out de do' wid ole Agnes Jenks, and she was sayin' dat ole infant child." An ole Jackson says, "Go way from me, you woolly cown. Ies gwine to hole dis child for rent!" Mrs. Meekmore threw up her hands. "For de Lord's sake, if I haven't moved all for nothin', I might jes as well stand in that house nother year."

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