FARMERS' COLUMN.

A Pennsylvania Fruit Farm.

The Erie (Pa.) *Herald* publishes the following concerning the fruit farm of Mr. A. Battles, at Girard, in that county: "The largest, finest and most productive fruit farm in Erie county, in the State, is that of this article. Although this farm is only about three miles from the beautiful borough of Girard, I venture to say that many persons in this township who are admirers of rural beauty, of choice fruit have never seen it. Of the 10,000 or 12,000 bearing fruit trees on these two hundred acres, 6,000 are apple trees; 1,500 pear trees; 2,500 peach trees, and 500 quince trees; all of choice varieties. When I visited the farm in June, the prospect for a fine yield of apples, pears and peaches was flattering; but the severe and protracted drought has caused much of the fruit to wither and fall. Mr. B. has six acres of grapes, mostly Concords, although he grows Catawbas, Isabellas, and other choice kinds to accommodate his customers. As his farm is bounded on the west by a dense forest, his fruit have never been injured by that destructive insect, the rosebug.

"Fourteen acres of the farm are planted to strawberries, raspberries and blackberries. Mr. B. prefers the Cresent Seedling to any other strawberry for the table or market. Its yield is wonderful. It is larger than the Wilson and has a finer color and flavor.

"Although the extremely dry weather has probably reduced the yield one-half, I present the figures below as a result of Mr. B.'s strawberry season. Whole amount gathered from 1¼ acres, 275 bushels, mostly Wilsons. Whole amount for Cresent Seedlings gathered from one-tenth of an acre, 47½ bushels, or at the rate of 475 bushels per acre. Amount of sale from 1¼ acres, $482.51, after deducting the expense of marketing. Paid for picking the berries, $51.21. Profit from 1¼ acres of land, $431.30; not a bad result, considering the unfavorable season.

"I noticed on the farm some splendid specimens of Lancashire swine, the most profitable breed of hogs even introduced into this country. They run in the orchard, and become fat easily and in a short time by feeding on the grass and on the diseased and immature fruit that drops from the trees."

Wages of Farm Hands.

The Department of Agriculture has been collecting some figures of wide interest regarding the rate of wages paid farm laborers in different parts of the country. These statistics show that, with the exception of Minnesota and some States and Territories still further West, the average monthly rate of pay declined from three to fifteen per cent. during the year ending last April. But this decline in wages was more than compensated for by an equal and sometimes greater reduction in the expense of living, so that the relative condition of the labor improved during the year. The pay of farm laborers in New England on yearly engagements, without board, averages $20.31 per month, and the average cost of living, $8.02. The average for the Middle States is $19.69; the South Atlantic States, $11.19, and in the Gulf States, $14.80; in the nine inland states east of the Mississippi, from $15.50 south of the Ohio to $20.90 in the north. West of the Mississippi the present average is $23.81 per month, a slight increase over a year ago while the price of subsistence has fallen off. In California and Washington Territory the increase has been still larger and now reaches $38.25, but is more than offset by a much greater increase in the cost of living. There is almost everywhere a good demand for labor, and there seems no doubt that the condition of the agricultural class is steadily improving along with that of the rest of the country.

Progressive Farming.

Mr. Milton Darlington lives on a farm of 175 acres, six miles from Coatesville, Chester county. His leading industry is butter making, and in this he uses 45 cows of his and 35 of his father's. He has but recently completed his milk house which is L-shaped, and in size 30 by 20 feet. It is divided into three parts—one for a five-horse power steam engine, another for milk, and the third for butter making. He has a fine spring of water immediately beneath his engine, the waters of which he uses in churning and for bath and culinary purposes in his home, all of which is delivered to the desired points by steam power. To regulate the state of the atmosphere in his milk room he has constructed a duct 260 feet in length, 12 feet under ground, and 18 by 14 inches in size through which he draws air which is forced into the milk room by means of a "blower," and by which he controls the temperature at will, so that the thermometer marks from 60 to 66 degrees. In this milk room there are 8 pans made of tin, 14 feet long by 2 feet wide and 5 inches deep, Mr. Darlington believing in the shallow process. The milk is allowed to remain here some twenty-four hours, when it is drawn off by means of a pipe attached to one end of the pan, which is slightly lower than the other, and the cream is then gathered and churned. The milk is drawn from all the pans in the same manner, and enters a common main which conveys it to the hog pen, some 150 yards away, where, underneath that building, is a tank for its reception. Thence it is pumped to the porcines above as needed. Mr. Darlington churns every other day, and makes about two hundred pounds at every churning, which he sells at present at from thirty-five to fifty cents a pound. The hog house has a capacity for one hundred and is so arranged that the animals are shut off from the troughs while the milk is being pumped into them; and then, on the other hand, when it is necessary to cleanse the house, they can be shut out from the centre of the building so as not to be in the way. Then their hogships are colonized, so that not more than six are together in one pen.

Farm Notes.

—Onion seed sown thickly now, in rich loam, will grow sufficiently large to make good sets next spring. Pull when the size of peas or beans, or they can stand through the winter by covering well with straw or hay.

—Oats are justly advocated as the grain above all others adapted to horses, and it is true that for young horses, and those used on the road, there is probably nothing equal to oats, but they ought to be crushed or bruised and not ground. In fact, all grains are better fed in this way.

—Moore's *Rural* chronicles the successful result during the past year of an experiment which is not new—cultivating Lima beans without poles, by simply pinching off the ends as soon as they showed a disposition to vine. This caused the plants to assume a thick-set bush, and they were "nearly as productive as when allowed to climb as nature designed.

THIS AND THAT.

—A countryman seeing the sign "Hands Off," innocently asked if they had gone on a picnic.

—The young man who prides himself upon looking spruce, should bear in mind that the spruce is ever green.

—A pretty girl won a musket in a French lottery. When they gave it to her she asked, "Don't they give a soldier with it?"

—Fond parent, if you want your boy to glide gently down the stream of life, cultivate his little skull.

—The Philadelphia *Bulletin* heads a column article with, "Shall we grow our own sugar?" We answer sweetly, "We'd raise cane if we did."

—An English critic says that American clergymen say, "larms" for lambs. This, you know, is because the old wether wears a 'larm bell for the flock.

—Lady (to rheumatic old woman)—"I am sorry you should suffer so; you should try galvanism." Old woman—"Thank you kindly, mum; be I to swaller it or rub it in?"

Bulkins, in referring to the time his wife complimented him, says the coal fire needed replenishing, and she pointed towards the fireplace with a commanding air, and said, "Peter, the grate."

—Another didn't-know-it-was-loaded pistol went off the other day at St. Paul. This is worthy of notice, because the pistol was the only one of the kind on record which didn't kill somebody.

—A man out West has killed his physician, and the occurrence is so unusual a one that the papers can't find type big enough to express their astonishment.

—Husband—Maria, my dear, you seem to be very lonesome in my company. Do you not love me now as you did before our marriage? Wife—Why, of course, Gerald; but you know since our marriage we have become one, and I feel lonesome without a second party.

—A precocious youth in North Wheeling, prompted by an unpleasant recollection of the last term, says the school teachers are like dogs, because "they lick your hand." This carries off the palm.

—The three proudest moments of a man's life, between the cradle and the grave, are, when he gets his first pair of red-top boots, when the girls first call him "Mister," and when the doctor tells him it's a boy.

—Chastine Cox wants to be a minister, and perhaps he can be accommodated to the extent of making his choker a white one.

—Mrs. Jefferson Davis, in referring to the defunct Mrs. Dorsey, remarks, There was a woman! what grace! what mental power! what a will."

—Saratoga in the Indian language means "the region of the big hills." In plain English it means the region of big bills."

—A little bit of a baby has his burdens—all the good looking girls kissing him. He kicks against it now; but in after years—well, let him do his own anticipating.

—It seems paradoxical to say that a thing can be bigger inside than out, but if you eat a pint of dried apples and drink a quart of water you'll find that such a thing can be.

—A lady in Cincinnati attempted to commit suicide because she could not master the Italian language. It does seem hard that the young ladies of America cannot be placed on an equal footing with the organ-grinders.

—A current item affirms that American women eat more candy than any other women in the world. And we wish to remark that they are sweeter than any other women in the world, and it isn't candy that makes them so, either.

—"I have nothing but my heart to give," said a spinster to a lawyer who had concluded a suit for her. "Well," said the lawyer, gruffly, "go to my clerk; he takes the fees."

—From Sitting Bull, Esquire, to H. R. H. King Cetywayo, K. C. B., P. I. Q.—Ugh! big chief—come to my wigwam—share all—kill white man—play poker—drink fire water. I have spoken.

—"This, dear children, is the shoe of a Chinese lady; see how little it is, what a very narrow sole it has." "I'll bet it ain't half as narrow as Deacon Smith's. Father says his soul will fall through a crack in the floor some day and get lost," was the shrill comment of a boy given to sharp listening.

—A colored man observed, while in conversation with a friend, "I dusn' believe in havin' a partner when you've on'y got a small business. If you make enny thing, why, yer don't git it, and if yer lose, yer have to lose it all." "Jesso," remarked his companion.

—A gentleman from the provinces went into the shop of a Parisian tailor to order some clothes. While his measure was being taken he said to the sartorial Aristarchus, "You must find that I am very badly dressed." "Oh no," replied the artist, "you are not dressed at all; you are simply covered."

—A man climbed a tree to the height of seventy feet, at Offham, England, drew a crowd of spectators, among whom was his wife and daughter, by singing hymns. Then he took a rope from his pocket and said: "Good-by;" I have made a nice noose, and now I am going to tie the knot." Then he hanged himself.

—A boy recently came home with his hair dripping wet, having just come from the river where he had been swimming. He was equal to the emergency, and escaped a busy time with his mother and a birch sprout by wearily wiping his forehead and remarking, "Its awful hot work hoeing down there in the garden!"

—A New York man has been fined $50 for kissing a girl. If every man should be an offender in this line and be thus fined, the courts could soon pay the national debt. But justice demands that the girl should pay half the fine.

—A happy-looking married couple were pointed out, and I was told that the lady had been married once before. When her husband died he left a will giving his widow 50,000 a year as long as she remained a widow and all of his fortune if she married again. For he maliciously added, "I want another man to know how wretched she made me, and he may find some consolation in my money." The widow was not long in finding another husband, and out of spite to her former spouse makes the present husband extremely happy, and the wealth of the deceased is an immense factor to that end. Women are contrary creatures and men don't understand them.

—Exception is taken in England to the manner in which Mr. Talmage points a moral. In his lecture on the "Bright Side of Things," delivered at the Temperance Fete at the Crystal Palace, as an instance of "the ruling passion strong," he related the following: "Ah," said a man who, was on a sick bed, to his wife, "I am going to heaven." "You'll look very pretty," said she, "stuck up in heaven." "Bring me the broom," he shouted, "and let me give you another walloping before I die."

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