

FARMERS' COLUMN.



Our Eastern farmers, who are most careful in haymaking, and with whom hay is more valuable than in the West, think highly of hay ceps.

Keeping Lice off Sitting Hens. A correspondent of the American Poultry Journal gives the following directions for keeping sitting hens free from lice vermin.

House Plants. House plants need plenty of air during warm days. The windows should be lowered from the top, so that a draught will come directly on the plants.

Farm Notes. The first new Virginia wheat was sold in Baltimore, June 8, at \$1.15 per bushel. A man on the Peninsula Railroad in Florida gathered 10,000 good oranges from one tree.

There will be more grain and cotton raised in Texas this year than in any three previous years. Mr. Waldo L. Smith, of Mosherville, Mich., owns a ram, which in four years yielded 190 pounds of wool.

A half gill of soft soap and water, one part of soap to twelve of water, poured at the roots of cabbage plants, is recommended as a sure death to white grub. There is contained in the corn cobs raised in the United States from 115,000,000 to 120,000,000 pounds of carbonate of potash.

The Georgia rice crop is fine this year. The rains have given it a good start, and the finest crop ever raised is expected this season. Rice is becoming one of the most important grain crops of South Georgia.

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JUMBLES.

There isn't a man in the world who is not a little bit of a jumbler. The way for a devotee old bachelor to secure better quarters is to take a "better-half."

When a young man begins to be called a blunt, there is always more or less lost about him. Life is but a span; marriage is a double team; you'll be old in an old age; an old bachelor is an old boy.

Wentworth's mackintosh, with rain, sweat, and cold, is a most valuable article. It is made of a special kind of rubber, and is perfectly waterproof.

There is a great deal of talk about the "new world" being discovered. But the old world is still there, and it is still the best world for us to live in.

A young man who has been twenty-seven different kinds of photographs of "future wives" who are in store for him, obtained from a young woman who was a fortune teller.

A Western paper wants to know "where the next world's fair will be held?" I don't know, but in this digress Sunday night is the favorite time for holding the world's fair.

Thousands of soldiers and sailors are entitled to Pensions, with payment from the discharge or death, if applied for before July 1. It is a most valuable benefit, and one that should not be overlooked.

A poet says: "Love holds me so! I would that I could get I flutter up and down, and to and fro. In vain—love holds me so!" Let a raw onion just before you go to see her, and she will loosen her grasp and throw up a window.

BY AN INFAMOUS OLD BACHELOR! Who Eve brought with me to mankind. Oh! Adam and Eve, how I wish you were here now, to see me as I am.

When you are in a very dry, warm room—the water beneath furnishing all the necessary moisture. I raised 250 game chicks last year without seeing a single parasite.

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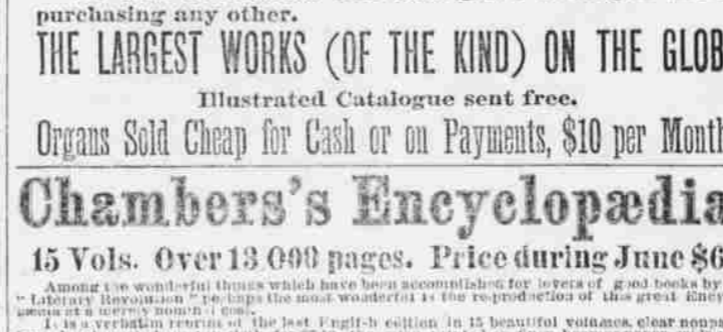
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