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Potatoes.

The potato crop is apparently much smaller this year than last, in the United States, and prices are higher. In Canada the crop has been a good one, and dealers there are taking advantage of high prices on this side of the line to get rid of the surplus. The Montreal *Gazette* mentions the receipt, by one firm, of orders from the United States for 100 carloads, or 40,000 bushels. The *Gazette* fears that the present activity and good prices may induce too many to hold for higher prices still, and "miss the mark altogether," as the crop is a heavy one, and high prices limit consumption.

Fall Ploughing.

If there is any time this month when men and teams are short of work, they can be very profitably employed in ploughing. For heavy soils fall ploughing is especially valuable, as the soil becomes much more mellow by being left somewhat uneven and light through the winter to the action of the frost and weather. Fall ploughing is not advisable on light soils, or on sloping grounds, when heavy rains are liable to wash the land; or where strong winds will blow the surface soil off.

Sugar.

According to figures, compiled for the New Orleans *Picayune*, the sugar crop of the year ending September 1st, 1881, was the largest raised in Louisiana since the war. The total pounds of sugar are given at 272,982,899, and gallons of molasses, 15,255,930. About one third of the total product of sugar comes from the vacuum pan. The substitute of the most approved methods of handling the juice has been steadily going on. The precentage of open kettle sugar is constantly decreasing.

Improving Stock.

The time has been in this country, and not a great many years ago, when many farmers found almost insurmountable difficulties in the way of the introduction of good stock; but that time has passed away. Obstacles which presented themselves disappeared, and it is no longer an open question whether or not it is good policy to breed, grow and fatten the best. The great cost of thoroughbred stock, at one time, was a barrier in the way of its general use, but breeding has now grown to be a vast industry, and prices of good individual sires and dams have been so reduced as to place them nearer the reach of all, than ever before. The hard times of a few years back prevented many farmers from weeding out trashy breeding stock, the means for making desirable substitution being actually unprocurable; but this difficulty is now removed. The generally unremunerative condition of the fat stock trade was another impediment to those desiring to raise their standing of breeding; but this trouble no longer exists. There actually are no obstacles in the way of general improvements at this time which are worth considering. On the contrary there is an incentive to the introduction of good blood. It is one of the urgent demand of the day, and if the American would become as they can, the regular feeders of Europe, it must be heeded. The standard quality of the stock on our fat stock markets can, with proper effort, be raised fifty per cent. within the next two years' time, without any financial trouble whatever.

FARM NOTES.

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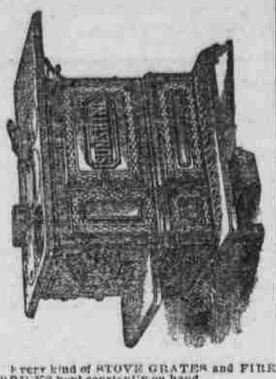

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