

Every farmer in his annual experience discovers something of value. Write it and send it to the "Agricultural Editor of the Democrat, Bellefonte, Penn'a," that other farmers may have the benefit of it.

We are indebted to Dr. Calder, President of the State College, for half a dozen nicely-rooted cuttings of the Concord grape.

We direct attention to Mr. Brown's advertisement of poultry in another column of this page. Mr. Brown's method of packing eggs is original with himself, and insures the hatching of a larger than usual percentage of the eggs shipped.

BLACKBERRIES, grapes, gooseberries, currants, &c., should all have been pruned last fall or during the winter, but if neglected then do it at once, cutting out where too much crowded, and shortening the new wood.

We have received from Secretary Edge a copy of the Report of the Pennsylvania Guenon Commission. The commissioners seem to have performed the duties assigned them with great care and fidelity.

An important specific is announced to the troublesome eruption produced by the poison oak or poison ivy, so common in our woods and so often mistaken for the Virginia creeper, which the plant somewhat resembles.

This part of the farm is quite dear to our household. We aim at a farmer's garden only, and we are satisfied that this half-acre is the most profitable on the farm.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Husbandman urges the deep planting of peas, saying that while they will be somewhat longer "coming up" than shallow planted, they will more than make up the lost time by rapidity of growth after they are up.

We cannot however, follow the lead of the correspondent when he advises leaving the vines without any support, unless only the dwarf sorts are sown.

Notes of our Contemporaries.

THE Poultry World has already mailed its chromos for the half year ending with June, and we think they are superior, if anything, to the earlier issues.

To those who know the Scientific Farmer it need not be commended. Any farmer who does not know it should seek an early acquaintance.

In a circular issued by Orange Judd, the veteran chief of the American Agriculturist, offering specimen numbers for six months, for fifty cents, we find the following, every word of which we heartily endorse:

I fully believe in the motto, which for thirty-seven years has stood at the head of the American Agriculturist—Washington's words: "AGRICULTURE is the most HEALTHFUL, most USEFUL, and most NOBLE employment of MAN."

I believe, also, that it is the safest, the most certain pursuit.

I believe that intelligence, reading, thinking and science also, are as useful, as profitable, even more so, in soil culture, than in any other occupation.

I believe that every reader of such a journal as the American Agriculturist aims to be, will be greatly benefitted, in mind and in pocket. Indeed, it cannot be otherwise.

It is often true that the reader does not, and cannot, perceive at first just how he is profited, but these thoughts and suggestions awaken new thoughts, new plans, improve his judgment, and must tell for good.

Antidote for Poison Oak.

We find the following in the American Cultivator, and knowing from repeated personal experience the decided discomfort resulting from oak poisoning, and the difficulty with which it yields to treatment in many patients, we republish it for the benefit of our farmer readers who are subject to the serious annoyance:

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The Garden.

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Beets and Beet Seeds.

Every progressive farmer should make it a point to start in the right direction, by raising one, one-half, or one-quarter acre of sugar beets, so as to be ready to produce large quantities whenever beet sugar works or drying establishments are started in his vicinity.

Seed growers and seed dealers in Europe, sow the seed broadcast, and such a quantity as to have from 125,000 to 150,000 plants to the acre, weighing, on an average, from three to five ounces apiece.

Many sugar beet manufacturers grow their own beet seed, and a surplus which they sell. The process followed by them is the following: In the fall, when the beets are nearly ripe, experienced men walk over their extensive beet fields, selecting the most vigorous appearing specimens, showing certain qualities in the formation of their leaves, by placing a small stick along side.

Seasonable Chicken Briefs.

WHILE for marketing purposes chickens are hatched as early as February, with paying results, provided suitable quarters are prepared for them, those intended for future breeding stock should not be hatched earlier than April or May.

CHICKENS helped from the shell seldom pay for the trouble. CHICKENS just previous to leaving the shell absorb the yolk of the egg, which furnishes ample food for the next twenty-four hours.

NOTHING contributes more to the thrift of chickens than milk.

THE germs of disease and vermin cling to unclean coops, and they are a frightful source of sickness among otherwise healthy fowls.

PROTECT all young fowls against sudden changes in temperature and exposure to wet if they would prevent a large percentage of the loss usually sustained.

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Owed to Spring.

JOHN FRENCH'S OPINION, AS GOOD NOW AS EVER. Well, Spring, you can't at last, hey you! The pot is now in the garden in old Winter's lap—now you are ashamed of yourself!

Look at them sheep when in the fine corners a-waiting for grass! Yes! and they're been a-waiting some of them weeks! And if they wasn't looking for a bit of 'shakin' their box at you, you'd see 'em doin' it!

See the shotes! A leavin' 'em to 'shakin' pendin'! Look at them mity eers "a-shakin' pendin'! Out to shoot 'em down to a even! A startin' up agin' the garden!

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