

**The Bloomfield Times.**

Tuesday, September 20, 1870.

**FARM AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS**

We invite communications from all persons who are interested in matters properly belonging to this department.

**Tan Bark as a Fertilizer.**

A correspondent writes to the *Rural New Yorker* in answer to the inquiry of a correspondent, as to the value of spent tan bark ashes for fertilizing:

In answer, I would say that they are very good for fertilizing sandy soils,—though not as good as hard wood ashes—from the fact that hard wood ashes contain a greater amount of alkali, and are consequently better adapted to destroy the acidity common to such soils. But experience teaches me that using the bark instead of the ashes is far more profitable and in reality much better, especially for clay soils.

My experience is as follows: Several years ago my garden, being in part the hardest quality of clay, when plowed would break up in clunks from the size of a man's fist up to that of a half bushel, and even larger; and with all the clod crushing and manuring I could do, I could scarcely raise anything, nor could I reduce the lumps in the least. Finally, after every thing else failed, I resolved to try tan bark, which I did in the spring of 1868, using bark fresh from the yard mixed with lime, in proportions of about six or eight bushels of bark to one of lime, the lime—or ashes, is preferable—being used to neutralize the acid in the bark. This was spread about three inches deep over the ground and plowed under as well as the lumps would admit of; the clods were then crushed and the ground planted; but the crop manifested but very little improvement over previous years.

Last season a dressing of barn yard manure was plowed under, and the result was a gain in the yield of about one hundred and fifty per cent over any previous season, to say nothing of vanished clods and the labor saved in pulverizing them. This year a dressing of well-rotted stable manure was turned under, and every thing continuing favorable, a gain of fifty per cent. over last year is anticipated. Thus, with less labor and less manure, I can now raise nearly four times the amount that I could before, and all owing to the one dressing of tan-bark and lime.

My experiment was with oak bark, though the hemlock bark would produce the same result. This bark is also excellent to put about currant bushes, strawberry vines, or indeed, about anything where the ground is not stirred more than once a year, as it keeps the surface of the ground moist; and if put on sufficiently thick, say three or four inches, grass and weeds will not bother to any great extent.

**No Middle Furrow.**

To plow a field so as not to have any middle furrow: 1st—Measure across one end, and in exactly half way across set a stake tall enough to be seen across the field from the other end. Then proceed to the other end and there find the centre by careful measurement, and here with stake in hand proceed toward the first stake set, till the distance from the end shall equal half the diameter as just measured, and there set the stake. Then go to the first stake set and carry it toward the last one a distance equal to one-half the diameter of that end of the field; there set it. Should one end be wider than the other, the wide end should have two stakes put in such position that each of the three will be equidistant from the outside. Then commence and "geo" around from one stake to another.

The ridge formed by the back-furrows as above mentioned, can be turned on at the corners, and leaves no baulks and saves driving. There may be one short furrow to "law" out in the centre, but that can be avoided. This method saves making such ridges as are often seen next the fences.

**Rye and Indian Bread.**

Three quarts of corn meal scalded with two-and-a-half quarts of boiling water, one table-spoon of salt, one tea-cup of molasses; let it cool a few minutes, and add one quart of rye flour and one quart of buttermilk with a heaping tea-spoonful of saleratus stirred into it. Bake four or five hours.

**To Destroy Burdock.**

Cut them when in bloom; when the burs are mostly formed, and sticky; and it is sure death. The next spring the roots will die. It is not necessary to pull them, only to show to what depth they penetrate and the futility of digging. Bear in mind that the dock must not be harmed in its growth till the proper time of cutting. Salt will have no effect unless the cutting be at the proper time. It has proved so with me. If any one has as easy way of killing yellow dock, or any way at all, I would like to hear from him.—S. K. Mich.

**Pickled Onions.**

White button onion—peel and steep in strong salt and water four days, changing two or three times; wipe quite dry. Pour over them scalding milk, leaving them to cool in it. Drain and dry each on a cloth, then place in jars. Boil white wine vinegar and pour over them. Add small bits of mace—whole blade mace—sprigging, and bits of red pepper. Tie the mouths of the jars with a wet bladder then leather over it. Keep in a cool place and you will be sure of approving and enjoying the pickles.

**Salt in Cooking Vegetables.**

If one portion of a dish of vegetables be boiled in pure water, and the other in water to which a little salt has been added, the latter will be found better flavored and more tender; if potatoes, they are mealer.

Onions are especially improved by being cooked in salt water. Their rankness of odor and flavor is mitigated, or modified into a peculiar sweetness and aroma. The salt appears to hinder the evaporation of the more volatile principles of the vegetables.

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**NOTICE TO LAND OWNERS!** After the 12th day of August of this year, (1870) suits will be liable to be brought in the Court of Dauphin County for money due on lands in Perry County, unpatented. For information relative to the Patenting of lands, call on or address S. H. GALBRAITH, Attorney-at-Law & County Surveyor. Bloomfield, March 8, 1870.—4t.

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From the Daily Miners' Journal of July 22, 1870.

Yesterday James H. Grier, Agent of the Lebanon Mutual Fire Insurance Company, promptly paid Lewis Harris \$150, his insurance policy in full, which he lost by fire on Railroad Street, last Friday.

Mr. Grier also paid John Pettinger \$80, his insurance policy in full, which was on a horse that died last Saturday, and was insured in the Pennsylvania Cattle Insurance Company, of Pottsville.—418

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To cure these affections, we must bring into action the muscles, which are engaged in their various functions. If they are neglected, Gravel or Dropsy may ensue.

The reader must also be made aware, that however slight may be the attack, it is sure to affect the bodily health and mental powers, as our flesh and blood are supported from these sources.

GOUT, OR RHEUMATISM.—Pain occurring in the loins are indicative of the above diseases. They occur in persons disposed to acid stomach and chalky concretions.

THE GRAVEL.—The gravel ensues from neglect or improper treatment of the kidneys.—These organs being weak, the water is not expelled from the bladder, but allowed to remain; it becomes feverish, and sediment forms. It is from this deposit that the stone is formed and gravel ensues.

DROPSY is a collection of water in some parts of the body, and bears different names, according to the parts affected, viz: when generally diffused over the body, it is called Anasarca; when of the abdomen, Ascites; when of the chest, Hydrothorax.

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PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 25, 1867.

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