
FARM AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS


Curlons Instincts of the Bee.
Honey been are governed by instinot, and
not by art. They never deviate from the not by art. They never deviate from the
course they were oreated in. The first comb they ever built was as perfect as at
the present day; no art has improved the shappo or size. Each bee does its part of the
labor in gathering in the stores nad nuraing labor in gathering in the stores and nursing
the young ; and I have noticed for several years past, the mode of gathering pollen or
bee bread. It is thus:- When a bee goen bee bread. It is thus:- When a bee goes
out after food, it alights on some kind of flower and gathers a part of its load; then
goes to another of the same kind, and perhaps a third, to obtain a load. Another
bee goes out, and it alighta on another kind bee goes out, and it alights on another kind
of llower, It keeps to that kind tilldt gets a load. But how is this known? You go to
the hive and watch as they come in ; nome heve yellow pollen on their legs ; othera
have light color: others have dark ; but no bee has two colors on his legs. If you see
any, you will see more than I have, for I never did ; and I have supposed that they
stored it in different cells for a change of food. The other day, in overhauling a
hive, I broke out a now piece of comb found the different colors in different cells, which confirmed my belief, for I suppose
they like a change of food as well as humans. Another curiosity is their coming among the hundreds that I had hived I hive. Another curious thing is their rearing the males and nursing them tenderly, and after they become useless they destroy
them. But instinct hax directed them to do it. Another curious thing is that when
they get to bo numerous, that the motherbee sloould call out a part of tho brood to go with her, and leave the others to take
care of the young. Why not call them all out to go with her? Because instinct has with her, while others are coming in out stores for future use. A certain part of them don't seem to have any inclination to her loss, for auother is provided.-Field and rarm.

Plowing Twice for Wheat. A correspondent of the Cincinnati
setto writes: "If any one will break i ground deeply and thoroughly two or three
times during the Spring and Summer, the texes during the Spring and Summer, the
extra amount of wheat per acre will pay for plowing, and leave a handsome profit
besides. I have tested this practice several times, with the mont sutisfactory results.
ln 1869, Ihad a field of sixteen acres of like fertility. I expected to plant half the
field in carn, but for some reason dild field in corra, but for some reason did not,
In the half that had been plowed for corm after the ground had been broke, the I broke it again the 20th of June. On the 1st of September following, I plowed the
entire field, and sowed in wheat. The rosult was as follows:-The half which had only received the single plowing, yielded
per acre thirteen bushels and pounds; the half that received three breakand forty pounde, which made a difference of more than ten bushels per acre. At one
dollar per bushel, this would pay for the extra plowing and leave a net extra profit of

## Discoloration of the skin.

1.1., froan whence discoloration of the
ine skin is apt to ensuc. To provent this, take a
little dry starch or arrowroot. with cold water, and lay it on the jujured
part. This must be done immediately, so as to provent the action of the air upon the akin. However, it may be effectually applied some hours after. Raw meat is not
always at hand, and nome children have an insurmountable repugnance to have it apof certain effect. There is no remedy for a black eyes but lathing in hot water, which apphed it is a sure remedy or proventively $\rightarrow \longrightarrow$ Mor. Novel Provender.
We are informed that several farmers
14. 1hnois are utilizing "the rag weed" for hay. The cropm of hay and drought, that uniens some othor substance ean be found to feed cattle ou during the
winter, many must periah. Hence these farmers are mowing their stabble fields and putting the crop of "rag-weed" away for
winter use. It is maid that cattle do vory well fod ew it, and scem to profer it to the bent straw. Farmers in other sections may profitably make a note of it.
ting or Kerosene and powdered lime, least labor. Kerosene and whiting will also cloane silver ware, doorknobs, hinges,
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