

The Bloomfield Times.

Tuesday, August 11, 1874.

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

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

The Great Farmer of Illinois.

Mr. L. Sullivan, the farmer of Illinois and of the west, too, for that matter, was in El Paso Saturday. He called on Seery & Rouse, who have been supplying him with agricultural machinery for some years, and ordered of them half a dozen Buckeye mowers. Sullivan is one of those cheerful souls who never do anything by halves. A correspondent says of his farm: "I was at Sullivan's farm to-day. It is about eight miles square and contains about 44,000 acres. Met Mr. Sullivan in his office and found him a most pleasant and agreeable man, ready to entertain any one who calls. I am indebted to Mr. W. B. Dix, chief clerk, for the following condensed report of the workings of the farm: Number of hands about 600; mules and horses, 1,000; cattle (oxen), 50; number acres in corn, 30,000; acres in small grain, 3,000; acres in tame grass, 3,000; miles of hedge, 300; head of hogs, 1,100; head of cattle, 600. Everything is run in regular military style. He can just tell what it costs to raise a bushel of grain on any section of his farm, also the cost each month to feed the hands. The hands are all hired by the month and boarded. There is a resident doctor—Dr. Blair—who attends the sick. According to actual figures it is demonstrated that eleven cents per bushel in ordinary seasons will put corn in the crib, and twenty-six cents per day will board hands. The bill of fare is better than that found in most boarding houses. The following is the bill of fare for June, 1874. Smoked shoulder, mess beef, fresh beef flour, bread, rice, beans, peas, tea, coffee, sugar, dried apples, vinegar, molasses, lard, spices, eggs, fresh vegetables, etc, cost per capita, 26 1/2 cents. Found Mr. Fay, the cashier, Mr. Miner, the general manager, and others, very pleasant gentlemen. A general stock of goods are kept. An elevator of 35,000 bushels capacity is about ready to receive grain. It is said to be by competent judges, the best and most complete elevator in the state, outside of Chicago. There is now in crib on the farm, 450,000 bushels of corn, waiting the completion of the elevator to be shelled and shipped. Crops look splendid; the recent rain has removed all apprehension of injury from drought."

How to select Flour.

Look at its color; if it is white, with a slightly yellowish or straw-colored tinge, it is a good sign. If it is very white, with a bluish cast with white specks in it the flour is not good. Examine its adhesiveness—wet and knead a little of it between the fingers; if it works dry and elastic, it is good; if it works soft and sticky it is poor. Flour made from spring wheat is likely to be sticky. Throw a little lump of dry flour against a dry, smooth, perpendicular surface; if it adheres in a lump the flour has life in it; if it falls like powder it is bad. Squeeze some of the flour in your hands; if it retains its shape given by the pressure, that, too, is a good sign. Flour that will stand all these tests it is safe to buy. These modes were given by old flour dealers, and we make no apology for printing them, as they pertain to a matter that concerns everybody, namely, the quality of that which is "the staff of life."

To Protect Fruit from Birds.

As we hear every summer loud complaints of the depredations of the birds among the small fruits of the garden and orchard, we give a place to the following plan which is said to be effective in scaring them off. It is to stretch gray or brown linen threads in various directions over the gooseberry or currant bushes, small cherry trees etc. When the birds come for plunder, they strike against these threads and thinking them a concealed trap immediately make off as they dread anything they can feel and not readily see. To protect peas, sow them in drills and stretch a couple of strands of the threads over the rows about two inches from the ground. If the strings are put higher the birds do not seem to mind them.

Bug Philosophy.

There are several bugs which farmers and gardeners ought never to kill. One is a large jet black fellow that runs like a race horse. He lives on bugs. Another is a black fellow with yellow spots, rather active, that lives on the wires and grub worm. As a rule it is safe not to kill any bug that travels rapidly. They are the underground hawks and eagles, and live on the slow-goes, which in turn live on the corn and wheat and potatoes of the farmers.

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