

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

The Profit From a Stony Farm. Some years ago a friend of ours took a farm that, in the language of his neighbors, was but a stone-heap.

The place was by no means solid rock. Down several feet below the surface it was thick and heavy enough; but the upper portion was rather skaly, and broke up into pieces from a few ounces to perhaps a pound or two.

This is a valuable lesson in a little fact of this kind. There is rarely anything on one's farm that may not be turned to good account; while even land which is cursed by some who do not know better, may be turned to an Eden when one knows how to do it.

Cure for Sheep-Chasing Dogs.

Many people will assent heartily to the principle that the best possible cure for a sheep-chasing dog is to kill him at the earliest practicable moment.

Eggs.

The weight of an ordinary fowl's egg is from one and a half to two ounces, that of the duck is from two to three ounces, that of the sea gull and turkey is from three to four ounces, and of the goose from four to six ounces.

Those who get Along.

Governor Safford of Arizona plainly describes the class of people that don't get along in the West. He says that "gentle manly farmers, who commence without means and have hired all their work done, will undoubtedly be obliged to quit the business; and those who have invested the largest portion of their crops in poor whiskey at twenty-five cents a glass will hardly be able to meet their obligations and inspire sufficient confidence to obtain credit in the future."

A Curiosity.

A Pennsylvania paper has a story of a lady who softened the shell of an egg in vinegar, inserted the egg in a five-gallon demijohn, placed it in a hatching oven, and lo! she possesses now a half grown chicken in this curious coop.

Railroad Pudding.

One cup of salt pork, chopped fine, one cup of molasses, one cup of chopped raisins, one and one-half cups of milk, three cups of flour, and one tablespoonful of soda.

HUMOROUS.

Slept with His Spurs on. "Yes," says the old man with a smile, "I remember one time in particular while out prospecting with an old friend, about twenty years ago. We were traveling on horseback, and came across a tavern one night about ten o'clock.

On looking around we found the room had two beds in it, one of which was already occupied by two strangers who were both snoring lustily. The fact of there being two beds in the room, did not surprise us, as in backwood taverns there were frequently three beds in a room.

With a surprised chuckle he motioned me to hold on a moment; he got quietly out of bed, and going where the strangers' boots were, he took off a huge, strap Mexican spur, and carefully adjusted it to the bare heel of the unconscious stranger.

The innocent cause of the trouble had been awakened at the first yell of the victim, and in straightening his legs out, scratched himself most unmercifully. He did not yell, nor say bad words, but jumped out of bed and made for his friend with the purpose of taking vengeance.

An examination brought to light the spur, which explained the matter. The stranger looked sheepishly at the spur then at his scratch, and finally examined his boots, and with a sickly smile said: "Well, boys, I have lived all my life among people who wear spurs, but I never before saw a man who could pull off his boot and leave his spur on his foot! I'll treat in the morning."

The landlord then appeared with the light, followed by half the boarders in the house, and enquired what the matter was.

A complicated case of conscience is reported in an Ohio newspaper. Seventeen years ago a smart lad in Wood county sold to a buyer of furs a black cat skin with a mink's tail sewed on it, receiving for it \$1 25 the value of a genuine mink skin.

An Essex street lady, sitting in her parlor and engaged in dreamy contemplation of the mistake of the young gentleman who was to escort her and her sister to the festival, was suddenly awakened by an ominous whisper in a juvenile voice: "You've got Ann's teeth and she want 'em."

Standing a laugh—"Any knives or scissors to grind?" asked a poor boy of the clerks in a merchant's office. "Don't think we have," answered a spruce young man, facetiously; "but can you sharpen wits?" "I could if you had any," was the sharp reply, and the clerk had to stand the laugh.

An imaginative Irishman gave utterance to this lamentation: "I returned to the halls of my fathers by night, and found them in ruins. I cried aloud, 'My fathers! where are they?' And early answered, 'Is that you, Patrick McCarby?'"

A Virginia lady has recovered a thousand dollars from a railroad company for carrying her two miles beyond where she wanted to get out. This is not exactly fare.

Bliffles says, referring to those young punts who contrive such ridiculously stiff points for their mustaches, that in his opinion they mustaches surely starch 'em.

There is a strike among the doctors in one of the Swiss Cantons. The people are exceedingly rejoiced, and at last accounts all of them were in perfect health.

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