

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

Keep the Hounds Neat.

What a gain to roadside neatness throughout the country, if only every acre could be taught the virtues of order and neatness! The village roadside ought, indeed, to be the village park and the village pride; not necessarily showing great wealth of common—though this is commendable—but carrying its green and shadow of trees between all the houses.

The beauty and attractiveness of nearly all the little towns up and down the Connecticut valley are due to the neat keeping and embowering shade of the village street. In no other single feature do they offer so striking a contrast to the lesser towns of New Jersey, and of the middle States generally. In many of them societies are organized—made up of their most enterprising citizens—for the oversight and execution of village improvements.

Trees are guarded zealously; decaying ones are removed and replaced by others; the laws without regard for straying cattle are rigidly enforced; and every citizen counts it a duty to become in this regard, and for the public benefit, an executor of the law. The road-side by a man's door is not encumbered with old vehicles; there is no selfish encroachment upon the highway. A scrupulous regard for neatness is counted, and very justly, as an element of the town's prosperity. Strangers are attracted by it, those who are drawn from it in youth are drawn toward it in age. Its paths are paths of pleasantness.

Watering Horses After Meals

It is the practice with many horsemen to give their horses no water until they have eaten their allowance of food. Concerning this practice a veterinarian writes: "A full drink of water should never be allowed to horses. When water is drunk by them the bulk of it goes directly to the large intestines, and little of it is retained in the stomach. In passing through the stomach, however, the water carries considerable quantities of the contents to where it lodges in the intestines. If then, the food of horses' stomachs is washed out before it is digested, no nourishment will be derived from the feed. In Edinburgh, some horses were fed with split peas, and then supplied with water immediately before being killed. It was found that the water had carried the peas from fifty to sixty feet into the intestines."

Mr. Cassie is quite correct in the views set forth regarding the injurious effects of large quantities of water swallowed immediately after eating. A small quantity of fluid swallowed along with, or immediately after food, beneficially softens and assists in its sub-division and digestion. An inordinate supply of water, or of watery fluid, on the other hand, proves injurious. It dilutes unduly the digestive secretions; it mechanically carries onward the imperfectly digested food, and thus interferes with the proper functions of the canal, and excites indigestion and diarrhoea. These untoward effects are especially apt to occur where horses are freely fed and too liberally watered, are shortly put to tolerably quick work. There is no more infallible method of producing colic, diarrhoea and inflammation of the bowels. The horse is not peculiar in this effect; dogs, and even their masters, similarly suffer from copious draughts immediately after eating much solid food.

Cooking Tomatoes.

The tomato is a vegetable that it is difficult to spoil, and it is generally acceptable even when rudely cooked. It is capable of much change in the cooking to afford a pleasant variety. One way of stewing tomatoes is to choose very ripe ones, skin, and slice, rejecting many hard parts. Put in a pan with salt, butter and pepper, and cook very slightly, not more than ten minutes. Another way is to stew the tomatoes until thoroughly soft, rub them through a sieve, and then cook them down to the desired thickness, butter, salt, and pepper, are the usual seasonings. Those fond of the flavor of onions will find the addition of chopped onions while cooking to make an excellent variety—Baked tomatoes are fine. Choosing large fruit, and cut out the cavity of the stem end, fill these with a mixture of powdered cracker or bread crumbs, butter, salt or other seasoning, set on a pan and bake until done. If managed carefully, the tomatoes retain their shape.

About Cattle.

The books tell us that the first cattle were imported into this country by Columbus in 1493. The first importation by the Plymouth Company in 1624. A few years later the Dutch brought them to New Hampshire. The average weight of these cattle was a little less than 300 pounds. In 1710 the average weight of beef cattle in the London market was 370. In 1793 it had gone up to 490 pounds. In 1833 the average weight had increased to 756 pounds. Since then the average has steadily advanced, and in the Brighton market, to-day, they average fifty per cent more than in 1850. The largest beef reported in the books was raised by Mr. John Sankers, of Massachusetts, weighing 3,600 pounds, live weight. Mr. Wm. Smith, of Detroit, owned the steer "Greely," wt., 4,110 pounds gross, net 3,700. At the present time it is a common occurrence that a shipment of Illinois cattle average 1,600 pounds. This increase in the weight, and consequent value, has been brought about by judicious selection, and feeding.—Am. Republic.

Fruit Gingerbread.

Two pounds of flour; four-fifths lb. of butter; 1 lb. sugar; 1 lb. raisins, seeded and chopped; 1 lb. currants, well washed; 3 cups molasses; 2 cup sour cream; 6 eggs; 1 heaping teaspoonful soda; 1 level teaspoonful ginger; 1 teaspoonful cinnamon; 1 teaspoonful cloves. Cream and butter and sugar, warm the molasses slightly, and beat these together; then the beaten yolks, next the milk and spice, the soda, the flour and whites, well whipped; lastly the fruit, which must be thickly dredged. Beat well before baking. A little citron, shred fine, is an improvement. Bake in two broad pans, in a moderate oven. This cake will keep a long time.

HUMOROUS.

Mr. Smith on the Grange.

Oh, oh, so you've been to that old Grange have you? Pretty time of night to come home isn't it? Midnight if a minute! I wish the Grange and all the Grangers were blown up.

No, sir, you needn't make any excuse at all. Business detained you! couldn't leave; had to watch at the bedside of a sick brother! Sick brother! Sick fellow! Sick sister, would be nearer the truth, I expect; and your poor, patient wife at home, slaving herself to death for you to spend your money on Grange dinners, Grange balls, and what not. You had far better spend it for shoes, chignons and ruffs, for your suffering family. You've been drinking, too. Don't tell me you haven't. I say you have so please don't contradict me again. Wasn't contradicting me? Boo hoo! Oh, that I should have lived to see the day that my husband should call me a liar.

You'll be the death of me yet, and then what will become of the children, when their dear mother is gone and their father running every night to some Grange! I'm just mad because you didn't take me with you, am I? You asked me to go, did you? No you didn't. Oh, it's too late to invite me now. I'll not go a step, no sir, I'll die first.

And, Smith, I tell you that you've got to stay at home; you shan't go to another Grange meeting. Won't ask me? I'll lock you in a room, and throw the key in the well. I'll cripple the horses, I'll do something horrible, or my name isn't Smith see if I don't. Jump out of the window, will you? No you won't. I'm not going to have my rights trampled upon by you, even if you are a Granger—and I'll not attend to my own business. If it isn't my business to know where and how you spend your time, I'd like to know what it is. I'd be ashamed to talk to my wife as you are doing. I'm doing the talking, am I? I'm not, any such thing, you hateful scoundrel you! If you don't hush, I'll kick you out of bed, and you may take up your lodging at the Grange, as well as your board.

A report was heard—at first it resembled distant thunder, but it was finally like a heavy body coming in contact with a hard surface. It might have been Smith that fell on the floor, but then it might not.

A Solitary Twin.

The "Pat Contributor" furnishes the Utica Observer the following strange story of a "Twin": There was a woman out West who gave birth to one twin—just one, that's all there was of him. She never had another solitary twin so long as she lived. He was a melancholy child from the first, and wore such a lonesome look. He always seemed to be watching and listening for somebody who never came. He appeared to realize that wasn't altogether that he was a kind of human parenthesis with one bracket gone—annoyed dumb-bells and one dumb-bell missing—a "pair" that couldn't beat deuces and hardly worth drawing to. He used to moan in his sleep and paw around on his pillow for the missing brother. When that boy grew up he was different from any boy I ever knew—that is to say, any one boy. He seemed more like two boys at once, and was altogether two boys for one. If he had a fight it was with a boy twice as big as he was, for he seemed to feel, somehow, as though there were two of him, or ought to be. He always managed to get two pieces of pie at the table, just as if one was for the other of him who wasn't there, and there was a thin pretense of taking care of it for him, but he always took care to eat it. I noticed. He only half liked his lesson, and double entry book keeping high about set him crazy, because, as I told you, there wasn't but half of him there, and he could not double entry. He wouldn't sleep with any other boy because he said, it crowded 'em. He grew up, but he never got married. Once or twice he attempted to court a girl, but left her when it was half done as though that other twin of his would be along and court the other half. I don't know what became of him. I heard that he died from sheer loneliness, but I only believe half I hear about that boy, any how. If he be dead you can bet he is only half dead.

Drying up A Yankee.

Did you ever come across one of the peculiar "Connections" Yankees who would talk overland, great at more things, and ask more questions than there is hair on a cat's back. I presume you have, but don't suppose you ever heard one dried up quicker and more effectually than Dave Larkin done it last summer while on the road from Snake River Falls to Oak Ridge Center. Dave Larkin is a stage-driver, and has much dry humor in his make-up as almost any one you meet. The Yankee took an inside seat at the Falls, and having talked one or two passengers to sleep and tired out the third one so that he could not answer his questions upon the outside at the Post-office Station to take a ride with Larkin. For one hour his incessant tongue ran like the needle to a sewing machine, and Dave being rather slow in replies, the Yankee had to answer more than one-half his own questions.

At last the stage-driver completely worn out with his insatiable gable-pointing to a neat log house by the side of the road, said: "There's been a woman lying in that house more than five weeks, and they can't bury her yet." "Hain't buried her yet?" exclaimed the excited Yankee. "You don't tell me so. What on earth might the reason be?" "She ain't dead yet," calmly responded Larkin. This dried the Yankee up.

Ode to Suspension Bridge over the Niagara river at the Falls, written in the visitors' book:

"Enormous structure! What did the constructors stand As built this 'ere? Say, gentle meow. Also, I say, gentle meow! Imaginashun's a fluffin! They'd it to balloon!"

A Dutches county man in conversation with one of our marble cutters the other day said there were some fearful mistakes on some of the headstones over there. "Why," he says, "I saw on one stone that they had spelled Jesus with a 'J'!" That man will stand a poor show when Gabriel blows his horn, we reckon.

Not Quite the Thing.

The Jacksonville Journal says that a four-year-old boy had a great desire to attend Sunday-School, followed his little sister, on Sunday morning, to Dr. Barnes church, and, much to the relief of her mind, behaved very well. When the class was through with all the recitations, the teacher said: "Now my little dears, as we have a few moments to spare, it would please me very much if any of you could repeat a hymn." Seeing that they all hesitated, she said: "If you do not know a hymn, perhaps you can remember a verse of one," when up jumped our four-year-old, his blue eyes dancing with delight, and said: "I know a hymn, but it is a fun-hymn." "Well," said the lady, "my little darling, repeat it." So to his own satisfaction, and the great amusement of the teacher and class, he recited from "Father Gander's Melodies": "Humpty dumpty! the cat's in the pump. And how shall we get her out? Well take a nail and tickle her tail And that will turn her about."

An editor in Winsted ran a quarter of a mile, the other day, in quest of an item, to find out what a group of five alcohol-doped men, were so earnestly talking about. We got up to them and found that they were measuring with a straw to see which got was nearest the hub!

An Illinois editor returns thanks for a centipede sent him by mail from Texas, "it being," he says, "the first cent of any kind that we've received for several weeks."

Miscellaneous.

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