

FARMER'S COLUMN.

Best Time to Exterminate Bushes.

A farmer in western New York, writing to the N. Y. Herald, says: Having been brought up on a farm I used to hear much said by farmers in regard to the best time for cutting bushes, etc., and remember well the various opinions given on the subject.

The Germantown Telegraph says that some time ago the patenting of a steam mower and reaper and thresher was announced by one Marcus V. Cummings, of Geneseo, Illinois, and gives the following description:

E. E. Union county, O., says: "Locust stumps are killed to avoid sprouting, by boring a hole in the middle pretty deep and filling it up with common salt."

A New Catechism.

Q. What is the church? A. A corporation in which the honorary members are more numerous than the paying members.

The Last Mine Horror.

One of the most terrible mining disasters that has happened in the vicinity of Pottsville for many years occurred last Monday afternoon at a colliery owned by the Reading Railroad Company, in that portion of St. Clair known as Scalpingtown.

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