

AMONG THE SHEAVES.

Oh, Lord, the fields are ripe with corn! The laborer goes to reap with gladness...

JIM AND WENCH SOLD.

And the worst of it was that they were two years old. They had been together in the service of the Government.

"At 15! At 17! Going at 17! Who says the half? Do I hear? Oh! My! Only for this! Do I hear, gentlemen, who's worth more than that if she never did another lick of work...

Two years ago the quartermaster had picked out Wench and Jim to submit to the post quartermaster's office...

For more than a score of years these little beasts faithfully served the government, and all this time they have been mates...

"This here's awful, boys," old Rooney remarked. "I can't stand it. I'd rather see the government bust than see them two mules sold."

"You're right, Rooney," old Bevis spoke. "A government mean enough to throw two mules out to stand..."

"Not at all. The sun was shining brightly, a strong wind was blowing at the time; the sand drifted off my feet and rose gradually higher until it reached my chest—in a short, there was seen nothing to be seen of me above the sand...

ONLY EARTHWORMS.

YET THEY HAVE GOT QUITE A FIGURE IN THE WORLD'S HISTORY.

The Worm Has No Eyes and No Sense of Hearing, but is Sensitive to Strong Light and Vibrations of Sound—Objects of a Quality Preserved by Earthworms.

The common earthworm, despised by man and heedlessly trodden underfoot, fulfills a part in nature that would seem incredible but for the facts revealed by the patient and long continued researches of Darwin.

In addition to the food thus obtained half decayed leaves are dragged into the burrows, and for food, but also to plug the mouths of the burrows for the sake of protection.

The earthworm has no eyes, but is affected by strong light in the same way as the burrows for the sake of protection.

They are, in fact, continually plowing the land. At one part of the alimentary canal of the worm is a gizzard, or hard muscular organ, capable of grinding food into fine particles.

Another useful effect produced by worms is the preparation of the soil for the sowing of seedlings.

It frequently happens that statutory claims proposed for the patenting of an article are rejected by the Patent Office...

One dose of Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberries will clean up any case of diarrhoea if taken at the start.

The Corn and Cow Peas.

Corn is the leading money crop of farmers in this country, and how to increase the yield from year to year is a problem that confronts the progressive agriculturist more than most anything else.

As the season draws near for making hay, the prospect for a good crop is assured, and there is also a growing desire on my part to whisper in the ear of every man in the State of Kansas who expects to have hay to sell, and to suggest one of it at the right time.

What is lovelier than the cherry—first the delicate silvery white masses of laeetic blossoms, and then the ripe fruit, showing its red among the green leaves, and delighting the eyes of robins and children?

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Gave the Old Man a Gentle Hint.

"Papa," said George, "I'm so sorry sometimes about all the trouble I give mamma."

"No," she's very patient. But she often sends me off to the shops for things, and they are a good way off, and I know she gets cross waiting when she's in a hurry."

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SOMERSET MARKET REPORT.

Cook & Beerris, Wednesday, April 28 1896.

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