

**THE FARM AND GARDEN.**

**TIME TO SET POSTS.**

Some farmers argue that it is best to set posts early in the fall when the ground is solid. Of course a post carefully set at any time will remain in its place, but fall is really a much worse time than the spring. Digging the hole makes the soil loose, and if done in the fall it has not time to become compacted again. Water filters down through the loose soil, which will raise the post a little every year until it throws the post out altogether. If the soil has time to settle it absorbs less moisture, and after the first year, if the heaving out has not already begun, it will rarely begin. In the spring, posts may be sharpened at the end and driven down into the soft earth, which will close firmly around them. It is necessary to put them below the freezing line, as the wedge shape which facilitates driving down also makes it more easy for the frost to heave the post up.—*American Cultivator.*

**CARE OF SHEEP.**

Sheep require excellent care and most judicious management in a mild winter. Dampness is most prejudicial to them. The wool saturated with wet chills the skin by the evaporation of the moisture, and this produces trouble with the lungs. Bronchitis, catarrh and pneumonia prevail unless the utmost care is taken to provide roomy and dry shelter. Crowding is extremely unhealthful. It ruins the wool by causing it to felt and mat; this is called "cotting," and renders the fleece unusable, besides heating the sheep and making them susceptible to chills. Roomy quarters, well drained, and kept clean, with abundant dry litter, are indispensable. It is better to make two flocks than crowd one. If the yards are muddy the ground should be scraped and channels made to carry off the rain and keep the surface as dry as possible. Ewes with young lambs are best kept on a barn floor if a suitable building has not been provided for them. In regard to feeding, one point is of special importance, which is to give some laxative food, as linseed-oil meal, to avoid dangerous costiveness.—*New York Times.*

**CULLING MILCH STOCK.**

We all know what to do with the culls of vegetables, fruit or any market crops. We never put them in the cellar or barn to hold over, but dispose of them at once. And so in the management of our stock, should we hesitate in disposing of any animal that does not in some way afford us a profit? Of course we have more liking for an animal we raise than for a boughten one; still kindness to a cow means a reciprocity on her part, and she should be kind to us at the stall. If we mean to make a success of the dairy we must sacrifice our inclination somewhat. My experience, says a writer in the *New England Farmer*, teaches me that about three out of five heifers prove first-class cows, and I keep the other two no longer than it takes me to dispose of them. Looks, behavior, being of my raising, don't enter into the contest. Is she profitable to keep?

Then, too, another idea: If I raise four or five calves each year, I would become overstocked in time, so I enter the market as a seller, and when the cow reaches the age of ten or eleven years she has to walk the plank, for I'd rather sell a cow with three or four years' wear in her than keep till she will bring only a dozen dollars or so; fifty dollars at ten years old is better. Another fine point is that limit is there in the life of a cow. If you are going to keep your cows till ten years old you don't want to wear them out by over-feeding. My rule is, when a cow don't give four quarts of milk a day she goes out to dry-cow feed, unless she will answer to a little extra grain and carry it without garget or loss of appetite. Still, as I said, there is a limit. One quart of rye middlings, one quart of mill feed, one quart of cotton seed, one quart of gluten meal, twice a day, wet in a butter firkin, is the extreme limit, and less for heifers.

**FORETHOUGHT OF ROSES.**

No other plants pay better for previous preparation of soil. If the ground was dug deeply and well enriched in autumn, so much the better; if not, the work should be done early as possible in spring. The reasons for this are: The fresh fertilizing matter becomes assimilated with the soil before the roots require it, and roses to succeed well must be planted very early. Roses on their own roots are more reliable than the budded plants, no matter what the stock on which they are worked. The latter will sucker under all circumstances, and although they grow stronger at first, will in a few years prove less vigorous than the former. In planting budded roses, the point of union between top and root must be placed an inch or two beneath the surface of the soil, when frequently roots will be emitted from the stock, thus making them comparatively on their own roots. Roses dislike hot weather, and early planting gives them chance to form new roots before summer.

The strongest rose growth is always made in spring and autumn, proving conclusively their preference for cool, moist conditions of air and soil. If rose growers when forcing plants under glass would remember the fact they would secure better results. Roses invariably show to advantage when massed in beds. Knowledge of the heights which the different varieties attain is useful in arranging the plants in a bed. Although most of the hybrid perpetual class are tall growers, a few kinds never exceed two to three feet in height, and of course, must in every case occupy the foreground.

Artificial Ice for Skating Purposes. The Grand Plaza de Torres, in the Rue Pergolese at Paris, which a short while ago attracted much attention by the bull-fights which were held in that place, is about to become a new centre of attraction for the Parisians as a skating-rink, for which a surface of natural ice is provided. The arena, still red with the blood of the bulls, has been excavated, and a concrete floor is substituted for the sand. Ten miles of iron pipes extend over the bottom of the basin, forming the freezing apparatus. Through these pipes a constant current of compressed ammonia is forced by three steam-engines in order to freeze the water. The modus operandi is very simple. The ammonia, being compressed by powerful engines into a liquid state, is driven through the pipes; there it expands into steam, and thereby freezes the water, absorbing all the warmth that the water contains. The surface of the ice is about 2,500,000 square metres (a metre being three feet and a half high), and its thickness sixteen inches.—*Frank Leslie's.*

**FEEDING CORN FODDER.**

I believe there is a vast loss of time, which is money, in this country, says Professor W. A. Henry, from the needless husking of corn, when both the corn and fodder are to be fed to steers or cows. I believe the silo offers the best means of preserving fodder, both ears and stalks, for stock, but realize that a large per cent. of our farmers are not yet in condition, or think they are not, to use the silo. Knowing this, I desire to see corn stalks or fodder corn, managed in the best possible way. When our farmers have come to learn their value as they should, there will be an immense amount of feed utilized that is now almost wholly wasted. The farmer who turns his cattle into the stalk fields does not get over twenty per cent. of the

**SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.**

The extension ladder fire-escape has been adopted by the German army as a more satisfactory apparatus than the balloon from which to watch an enemy.

A new contrivance has been applied to watches called an "appointment reminder." A small dial is set into the watch's face upon which one can set the hands at any hour required.

In tanning by electricity the ordinary tan liquid is employed, and the hides revolve slowly through it, while the current from a dynamo traverses the vat and helps the tanning to combine with the gelatine of the skin.

France claims the honor of utilizing the highest water power in the world. At Brignond a turbine nine feet ten inches in diameter was put in operation in 1875, utilizing a head of 1638 feet. It is still working, and gives a force of 1500 horse power.

A significant and interesting installation of electric lighting is about to be made at Portland, Ore. That city is to be lighted for the first time by electricity. The current is to be carried twelve miles before being distributed, a thing never before attempted in this country. A specially constructed machine, capable of producing 4000 volts, is to be used.

Austria is a country where one's food needs to be tested in order to avoid adulteration. At the laboratory in Venice, where food is analyzed for nothing, a loaf of bread was found to consist largely of the pulverized bark of trees, sawdust and chaff; ground pepper was found to be mixed with wood ashes; cinnamon was colored with ochre and a so-called "nutritious coffee" consisted entirely of roast acorns and chicory.

At a recent meeting of the Society of Aeronautics in Berlin Professor Griese entertained the assembly with a description of an invention of his, by means of which a man with his own muscular power only may leap up into the air and fly for a short time. The machine is called a spruugflugel. Several scientists have become convinced that Herr Griese's invention is serious, and that it will aid considerably in solving the problem of navigating the air.

A new system of paving has been brought forward in England. It comprises the use of blocks having alternate hard and soft layers, such as Portland cement and a mixture of sand and cement, those being set upon edge, so that the edges of the lamina form a wearing surface. The blocks are made four inches high, and may be worn to less than an inch without becoming smooth like granite blocks. The idea is derived from the surface of an elephant's tooth, which consists of intermingled hard and soft layers.

Several months ago Rudolph Ericsson, a young Swedish chemist, of New Britain, Conn., invented a new explosive to which he gave the name "extralite." A number of experiments were tried with the new powder in different parts of the Nutmeg State, which showed that Ericsson's invention is one of the most remarkable explosives yet compounded, as it cannot be exploded in the open air under any circumstances, and yet when placed within rigid enclosure, from which the air was excluded, its execution was terrific.

Two almost perfect spheres about four inches in diameter—one black and of vegetable origin and the other white and a mineral product—were lately exhibited to the Geneva Society of Physics and Natural History. Both were remarkable as having been produced by a mechanical movement. The black ball was one of two formed by the slow rolling together of dust in a cavity of the oak shaft of an old mill wheel; and the white ball was a calcareous pebble found with many others in a grotto traversed by a torrent flowing into the Rhone.

It is reported that a German scientist has devised an incandescent lamp arrangement by which the interior of a boiler may be inspected while the same is under steam. A thick tube is inserted into a stuffing box, through which a small incandescent lamp is introduced, which is connected with a battery. By means of a thick glass plate placed in the shell of the boiler at a convenient height, the illuminated interior of the boiler may be inspected. This is likely to be the means of providing remedies for many of the existing uncertainties in boiler manipulation.

The Vanity of Hair Dyeing. Hair dyeing is not entirely a feminine matter, says a barber to a *Globe-Democrat* reporter. It is exceptional for women to take the trouble and suffer the annoyance, and even pain, which continual bleaching and dyeing entail. But some men are guilty of the weakness, and they are not all actors or men who live by their wits and personal appearance. Ladies generally prefer gold, but men who are dissatisfied with the natural color of their hair almost invariably go in for black.

To keep up the deception, two, if not three applications a week, are necessary, and one customer of mine had me visit him every alternate day for over three years. Dyeing the hair kills it in time, and makes it brittle and thin during the process, while the number of scalp diseases sacrificed at the shrine of vanity is legion. Several barbers now decline all dyeing business, and I am one of the number. But in years gone by I did my share, and admit having made a quantity of money at it. The acids used are so strong that they positively make the fingers sore, and as the scalp is much more sensitive than the fingers, the tortures endured by those who subject their heads to constant irritation in this manner can be more easily imagined than described.

A Bath-Tub 3000 Years Old. The care with which the excavations have been carried on in and around the ruins in Greece is strangely illustrated by the fact that in the bath-room, in a place where it had actually been used, was found a portion of an earthenware tub made of thick terra-cotta; and here let Dr. Dorpfield, Schliemann's co-worker, speak of its discovery. "We found agreed pretty nearly with that of our bathing tubs. It was furnished with a thick upper rim, and with strong handles on the sides, and it was painted within with spiral ornament." In fact it was one of the "well-polished bathing tubs often mentioned by Homer." And yet, was destroyed at the date mentioned, this bathing tub must have lain there for some 3000 years, so carefully does the earth preserve records of the past for the patient worker who carefully knows how to get about discovering them.—*New York Journal.*

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**NEWS AND NOTES FOR WOMEN.**

A woman's club is still a novelty in England.

Red or some shade or of any shade continues a favorite color.

The divided or bifurcated skirt is experiencing great popularity.

The Japanese style of wearing the hair with jeweled pins has not yet died out.

Women organists are employed in some of the leading churches of Buffalo, N. Y.

The medical profession is said to yield a larger income to women than any other.

Queen Amelia, of Portugal, is said to have a placid and very sweet face, like the Madonna.

A fashionable toque is of reddish brown velvet, the crown covered with holly berries and leaves.

Some of the novelties in fans show tinted feathers arranged as orchids, tulips and in other flower effects.

A very pretty bonnet for demi-dress can be fashioned with black lace and jet, with strings and pompon of amber.

Jennie June, the noted newspaper writer and correspondent, is sixty years old, although she looks much younger.

In Bengal, India, at the last primary scholarship examinations, eight out of twenty scholarships were awarded to girls.

The Princess of Wales has a pet dog whose collar bears the inscription, "Johnny belongs to the Princess of Wales."

At Kalamazoo, Mich., the Rev. Carrie J. Bartlett celebrated New Year's Day by marrying her first couple. The Rev. Carrie is a Unitarian.

The Minister of Public Instruction in Italy has given an express order that all the doors of the art schools in that country shall be open to women.

Plain, straight skirts are waning. Another moon will see full draperies and good material dragging through the mud and dust of the public streets.

Anna Franklin in 1732, aided by her two daughters, edited the first newspaper issued in Rhode Island. The woman servant in the family usually worked the press.

The sudden popularity of the tartan garments arose from the Fire marriage. They appear in gowns and cloaks, both in wool for day time and in silk or purple for evening.

It is quite the thing to have a decollete bodice of dark material trimmed at the neck—a pretty neck. In the light shades of evening gowns trimming is used.

Clara Barton, the famous philanthropist, is a good shot with either rifle or shotgun. She has been seen to bring down two prairie chickens from the first flush of the covey.

The light-colored kinds of artificial hair come from Germany, except the drab and ash shades, which are furnished by Sweden. Nearly all the various shades of dark hair are imported from France.

A late redingote has a broad bow plait on either side of the front extending from the shoulders to the edge of the skirt, widening from the waist down, and similar plaits on each side of the back.

The town of Plymouth, Penn., has a novel society in its midst. It is known as the Young Ladies' Protective Association, and its primary object is the protection of the matrimonial interests of the young women of the place. Girls between the ages of seventeen and thirty are eligible. No woman can be admitted over the age of thirty.

The most popular types of embroidery now employed in the decoration of dresses are the empire and renaissance, which are both expressed in floral designs, but differ in that the former is limited to certain leaves and small flowers arranged in straight rows, while in the latter the blossoms and foliage are very much conventionalized, comprising sweeping scrolls and arabesques.

A Thief Caught With a Thread. It is born within some human beings to steal. They do not all steal articles of great value, but little things, which, though costing but a trifle, cause annoyance. A person of this sort has been stealing a paper that was left each morning at the office door of a professional gentleman in Bangor, the pilferer, who had rooms in the same building, but by another flight, taking it before he put in an appearance. It would be missed about twice a week, and for a time the paper boy was blamed, but later the thief volunteered the information that the office boy of another professional man in the same building took the papers and sold them. In order to find out the loser gave a week to the business of investigation, making it a point to reach his office about half an hour ahead of his delivery. Quietly entering he made a bait of an old paper, folding it after the manner of the newboy; punched a hole through, run in and made fast a spoon of thread, and lay in wait. When his paper was dropped at his door he quietly took it in, substituting the bait, leading the thread under the door. The third morning the spoon began to unwind, and opening the door he saw the overhead party leading the thread upstairs. The latter heard the noise, stopped, turned round, while the professional gentleman began to haul in on the thread. When all the slack had been taken up a gentle tug announced the connection; the paper was dropped, pulled down stairs, and the parties have not spoken since.—*Leicester (Me.) Journal.*

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**Rowing in Front of a Mirror.**

A scheme to correct the faults of the candidates for the Yale crew has been devised by Captain Allen. It is a simple mirror, about six feet in length and three feet in width, suspended from the ceiling over the rowing tank in such a way that it is just above the oars, and can be moved opposite any place in the boat. This enables the men to watch their rowing movements, and it is believed will aid materially in teaching and correcting the men of their faults.—*Boston Record.*

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Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury. As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces, such articles should never be used except on prescription from reliable physicians, as the damage they will do is tenfold to the good you can possibly derive from them.

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