smell of ammonia that fills the place. It [illegible] such a satisfactory, little case-hardening plaster of paris of sulphuric acid, for the purpose of absorbing these fumes, and forming sulphate of ammonia. The liquid which runs from horse-pools and from manure heaps, is shown by analysis to consist of the most fertilizing substances; and it is calculated that where this small allowed to wash away, as is the case in many instances, the manure is robbed of [illegible] half its value. I have seen yards where it was almost worthless, owing to long exposure.

The farmers of this country need awakening upon this subject of carefully preserving these manures. Let us have an order, where everything of the kind is saved with the [illegible] regularity and care of a single cent for a year is saved, and [illegible] accumulates, soon amounts to a [illegible] dollars. Either they are very foolish people or very wasteful.

[illegible] WHICH ARE CONTRADICTED.—[illegible] correspondent of the *National Intelligencer* reasons to think that among the great Powers of Europe there will be no war towards for Constantinople.—[illegible] says:

The Ottoman Empire is there can be no doubt of its approaching [illegible] It must be broken up. Consequently, the [illegible] commencing as it does, the Black Sea and the Mediterranean, is a capital point. It will increase greatly the [illegible] superiority of Europe in favor of the [illegible] in the partition of the territory of the falling Empire shall [illegible] possess it. There are three great and powerful [illegible] Russia, France and England, [illegible] would meet with greater [illegible] What was the surprise of the [illegible] Mr. N. Fitzhugh, Esq., up [illegible] the simple [illegible] of the [illegible] a missive directed to "Jesus [illegible] Christ, Heaven," and when I [illegible] the name, and with a noble [illegible] he deposited in an envelope the [illegible] and carried it to the post office, [illegible] supplement. He never heard a story that is to short a compass contains a more instructive and interesting lesson. It [illegible] a singularly felicitous union of [illegible] the great pillars of Religion, Faith, Hope and Charity, and would [illegible] to know the man who could hear the [illegible] unvarnished tale," without [illegible] pupsell and his soul ennobled by the [illegible].

[illegible] UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.—At the last meeting of the Boston Board of Aldermen, Professor Benjamin Peirce, invited to erect on the [illegible] at the State House fixtures for [illegible] at present in the office, a dark colored [illegible] ball, both to be [illegible] and subscribed at the precise moment by the [illegible] of all square of temperature recommended by the clock at the State House. [illegible] Peirce's plan could be seen at a considerable distance from the ball, and would [illegible] uniform time. A similar apparatus is in successful operation in London, and is connected by telegraphic [illegible] within similar signals provided in various parts of the Kingdom.

[illegible] Benjamin Franklin, of Massachusetts, [illegible] years, was recently [illegible].

Pigeon Carriers.—That inveterate joker, *The Journal of Commerce*, is responsible for the following story:

On Thanksgiving morning we went to see an old gentleman, Uncle [illegible], who lived on Long Island, on his farm [illegible] Brooklyn. He was from Germany, and has been for some years a strong Temperance man, although brought up in a country where a reverential regard for [illegible] is not considered a virtue.

"Uncle," said we, as we drank a huge tankard of cider while partaking of his bountiful table, "how came you to raise the use of wine?"

"Well," responded the hale old gentleman, unbuttoning his vest to make room for the third plate of turkey to which he had helped himself, "I tells you den.—When I first come from Jarmany, we pumped into Lancashire County, in Pennsylvania, and dere was no wine; so every year we make a barrel of sherry vinegar, and all ages drunk as it vas sher sherry. Saturday evening. Next Sabbath, when der bounce was all drinked up, I goes der sherries to der town. Der consequence was, der hogs gits shoost as much as a lot of beeples.

"By and by, my sons, vere sober again, and I tries 'em mit smoder mees. Der hogs was very hungry, and some runnin' up to der trough, goodness! like der lurful idees dey shtick in dey shnouts, and shmack their chops, till dey git a taste of der cherries; and den dey all run around der shtraw mit der pungtse wide open, and der mouths hangin out, and rub de ground agin deir noses to take away der taste.

"Dogs couldn't shtand it, so how—make dem eat it?

"Old dad said, 'suffer geese it up dat way;' so, nazzi, week I geeds der hogs some more of der cherries; and when I come mit der bucket to feed 'em, right away dey seen something wrong. Up dey all walks, every to deir feed; and when dey schmelt der cherries, *all turned around mit der hind quarters to der trough!*

"Ever since dat time, mine poy, when der brandy subject comes up, I shoost puts down mine fees, and has noting to do mit it."

We left as though we had heard an impressive temperance lecture, and were gratified to perceive that Uncle S. had strength-ened the convention that Temperance is better than Indifference.

TREATY BETWEEN FRANCE AND ENGLAND.—The New York *Herald* states that a fair received information confirming the recent statement that a treaty of alliance was agreed to and signed by Count Walewski on the part of France, and Lord Clarendon on the part of England; in reference to the Turkish question, and gives the following particulars:—

"The treaty thus concluded was despatched immediately by couriers to Berlin and Vienna, with an intimation that from the day of its arrival at each of these capitals, a period of seven days would be allowed by the emissaries of the Allied Powers to determine upon their assent or refusal to enter into the arrangement. If agreed to, we will say that the consent was to be understood that France and England would take the settlement and the [illegible] independence of the Eastern controversy as [illegible] that, and some years [illegible] the Russian Government [illegible] the Russian Government [illegible] the Russian Government