

FOR THE FARMER.

Farming as a Vocation.

"For the best essay calculated to give farmers an adequate conception of the nature and worth of their vocation."

The life of the farmer has ever been considered, by himself, one of toil and drudgery, but with how much reason, it may be well to ask, to investigate, and become satisfied. It is the lot of man in general to have an occupation. If not necessary for a living, it is made a means of obtaining wealth, fame, or power. A few, born to wealth or title, pursue no calling but that of pleasure. Such lead miserable lives, and do little or no good in the world. His appointed unto all men to work. It is necessary to health, strength, comfort, and happiness. To work, it is not necessary to guide the plow or harrow, to wield the axe or scythe, to sow or reap. There are other kinds of work, equally laborious and fatiguing, other occupations more wearing to the system, and attended with less pleasure. In this country, there are more men engaged in farming than in any other occupation, and in the rural districts they constitute a large majority of the inhabitants and, as a consequence, see and know little of the drudgery of other occupations.

In their visits to the mechanic or manufacturer, they see him sheltered from the storms and cold, they notice that his skin is less tawny, his hands softer and whiter, and his clothes perhaps less soiled and torn; and it is but natural that they should think his labor less hard than theirs. They see the merchant behind his counter, smiling to his customers, or at his desk counting his money, and they cannot think he works, and they go away wishing that Providence had been as kind to them. They see the lawyer advocating the cause of his client, uttering with eloquence witty or grave sentences, bringing tears to the eyes or laughter to the countenances of judge, jury, and spectators; and they go away rejoicing that the gifts of Providence are partially bestowed.

They see not the mechanic at work by his lamp, while farmers are reading by their fire-sides; they see him not with his accounts, anxiously looking forward to the time when his payments become due, or his flour barrel empty, or his pork barrel out; they see not the anxious or care-worn countenance of the merchant, while alone in his office, just before his bank note became due, and no money to meet it; and they see not the lawyer in the still hours of the night, with aching head and wearied eyes, looking up the authorities to sustain his cause on the eve of trial.

It is they themselves—the farmers—that have set the stamp of drudgery upon their occupation. No one else admits or believes it. The lawyer, the doctor, the merchant, and the mechanic, envy the farmer his farm and his happiness—his bread butter, and cheese—his fruits, meats, and his grains, the product of his own labor, that he can eat with an appetite sharpened by muscular exercise, and knowing that they are pure and healthy.

Ask the mechanic what he is striving for, and what is his aim. For a home, a piece of land that I can cultivate, and eat the fruits of my own raising; the merchant will tell you that he hopes to end his days on a farm; and the lawyer and doctor will tell you the same. What if their faces are blanched while the farmer is tawny—their fingers delicate and supple, while the farmer are dingy and clumsy—their garments fine and clean, while his are soiled and coarse. Each is appropriate and equally respectable. A chinney sweep in white linen, or a farmer at his plough in fine broadcloth, would be an object of ridicule, equally with the lawyer in rags. More men make themselves ridiculous by over-dressing than the reverse. If the farmer has not delicacy, he has strength, and power of endurance—far more valuable. If he is not educated and refined, it is no fault of his occupation, did he himself not think so; for no one has more leisure for reading and study. If he mingles less with the world, and learns less of etiquette, he has opportunity for thought, and learns less of deception, intrigue, and chicanery, which makes no one happy.

Whose sons make the most enterprising and successful merchants, the most profound statesmen, the most eminent engineers, and the most learned lawyers and Divines! *The Farmer's*. They go forth from the farm, with healthy blood in their veins, inherited from healthy parents, and consequently have healthy and vigorous minds. Who are looked up to as defenders of our homes in case of invasion? Whose names are in our jury boxes, and whose names are sought for (aye, a little too often successfully) on a bank note? Brother farmers, let us not repine at our lot; let us honor our calling, and it will honor us. Honor and fame from no condition rise; He that would win, must labor for the prize.

S. B. P., in *Gleanings of Europe*.
Gorham, N. Y., Nov. 1858.

TO CURE LYCK ON CATTLE.—Mr. Roe has great faith in the efficacy of a peck of onions for ridding cows or oxen of lyc. He claims to have found them an infallible remedy in his practice. They also give tone to the stomach, and are especially valuable in hot weather, when working cattle will lie in the shade at noon-time and refuse to eat. Mr. Roe uses the "scallions," or small, unsalable onions, and those that become soft or sprouted towards spring. He gives a feed of a half peck once a day—at noon; and says that two feeds are sufficient to extirpate any number of vermin.

The sure way to be cheated, is to fancy ourselves more cunning than others.

WIT AND WISDOM.

Human diseases spring from two causes—stuffing and fretting.
What comes next to an oyster?—The shell. A hard case that.
Why is the letter U the gayest of the alphabet? Because it's always in fun.

Who were the first astrologers?—The stars—because they first studied the heavens.

The man who was always splitting with laughter has been recommended to try an axe.

What is the difference between a blunder and a wedding? One is a mistake and the other a take miss.

An architect proposes to build a "Bachelor's Hall," which will differ from most houses in having no Eves.

The following toast was recently given: "The ladies—May we kiss all the girls we please, and please all the girls we kiss."

A doctor detained in court as a witness, complained to the judge that if he was kept from his patients they might recover in his absence!

It is very strange, but every woman's husband is the worst fellow that ever lived, until he is attacked, and then, "dear fellow!" he is the very best!

Upon the marriage of Miss Wheat, of Virginia, an editor hoped that her path might be *flowery*, and that she might never be *thrashed* by her husband.

It is proposed to establish an institution for the education of young ladies, in which the science of weaving, spinning, and cookery will form a part.

Every girl who intends to qualify herself for marriage should go through a course of cookery. Unfortunately, but few wives are able to dress anything but themselves.

An elderly gentleman recently exhibited an umbrella, in a car of the Boston and Cambridge Railroad, which he said he had owned for twenty-seven years. Nobody believed him.

The very last curiosity spoken of in the papers is a wheel that came off a dog's tail when it was a waggin'. The man who sent it in has retired to private life, to live on what he owes.

"Miss Brown, I have been to learn how to tell fortunes," said a young man to a bristly brunette; "just give me your hand, if you please." "La! Mr. White, how sudden you are. Well, go ask pa."

An exchange says, the best cure for palpitation of the heart is, to leave off hugging and kissing the girls. If this is the only remedy that can be produced, "we for one say, let 'er palpitate."

The victory gained by the Emperor of the French at Solferino has made some of the European nations wish that they could imitate English travelers in France, and get their sovereigns changed into Napoleon!

An Ohio editor recently took a contemporary to task for copying choice scraps from his editorial columns, and not giving credit for them. The contemporary replied by saying he "did not do a credit business!"

A little girl, nine years old, having attended a *soiree*, being asked by her mother, on returning, how she enjoyed herself, answered: "I am full of happiness; I couldn't be any happier unless I could grow!"

"My dear madam," said a doctor to his patient, "I am truly gratified to see you yet in life. At my last visit yesterday, you know that I told you that you had but sixteen hours to live." "Yes, doctor, you did—but I did not take the dose you left me."

An exchange says that "a scamp in Vermont hung a hoop skirt up in his cornfield as a scarecrow." If there was a pretty woman inside, it would serve the purpose better. The field would be so full of Green Mountain boys that the crows wouldn't dare to go near.

The meanest man in the world lives in this city. He once gave his children three cents to go to bed without their supper, and when they were asleep, took it from their pockets. He buttons his shirt with wafers, and looks at his money through a magnifying-glass, because it makes a half-dime look like a quarter.

A "wee bit of a boy" astonished his mother a few days since. She had occasion to chastise him slightly for some offence he had committed. Charley sat very quietly in his chair for some time afterward, no doubt thinking very profoundly. At last he spoke out thus:—"Muzzer, I wish pa'd get annuzzer house-keeper, I've got tired seein' you round!"

When the fierce winds of adversity blow over you, and your life's summer lies between frost and snow, do not linger inactive or sink down cowardly by the way, or turn aside from your course for momentary warmth or shelter, but with a firm step go forward, with God's strength to vanquish trouble, and to bid defiance to disaster. If ever there is a time to be ambitious, it is not when ambition is easy, but when it is hard. Fight in darkness, fight when you are down, die hard and you won't die at all. That gelatinous man, whose bones are not even muscles, and whose muscles are pulp—that man is a coward.

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