

AGRICULTURAL

VALUE OF YOUNG CLOVER.—A few farmers are plowing up fields of young clover of last year's seed. This practice was quite common a year or two since, and though it is now being recommended as having some good arguments in its favor...

SCIENTIFIC

Mixture of Races and Mental Character.—One further general inquiry of a different kind may be added: What effects are produced on mental nature by mixture of races? There is reason for believing that, throughout the animal kingdom, the union of varieties that are widely divergent is physically injurious...

DOMESTIC

GERMAN SUGAR CAKE.—Blend well with the fingers six ounces of good butter with a pound of fine flour, working it quite into crumbs; add a few grains of salt, one ounce of dry sifted sugar, a tablespoonful of the best cinnamon to very fine powder...

RECREATION

A ROMANCE OF THE SIGNAL SERVICE.—I heard a couple of days ago a hitherto unpublished romance connected with the life of one of the most prominent officers of the Signal Service Bureau. He was, my informant states, once engaged to be married to a lovely, charming and wealthy girl...

FOURTH COLUMN

Three good Lessons.—"One of my first lessons," said Mr. Sturges, the eminent merchant, "was in 1815, when I was a fine flock of sheep, which were carefully tended during the war of those times. I was then a boy, and my father never forgot the kind smile of an old gentleman as he said: 'Never mind, Jonathan, my boy; if you watch the sheep, you will have the wool for me.'"

LITERARY RECEIPTS

Thomas Chatterton, who, in one sense, lived a long life before he was eleven years old, was one of the most extraordinary literary delectors on record. Born at Bristol, in 1732, he was taught a small routine knowledge at a parish school, and then belonged to the Colston School from his eighth to his fifteenth year...

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