

AGRICULTURAL.

TOPICS OF INTEREST RELATIVE TO FARM AND GARDEN.

CLEANSING OUT ANIMALS.

It is true that all unprofitable animals should be culled out at this season of the year and sent to the butcher's; but it does not pay to sell them just as they are.

IMPORTANCE OF THOROUGHLY CLEANSED SEED.

It takes but a little while longer to run the seed grain through the fanning-mill a second time, and those who have not tried it will be surprised at the amount of dirt and light grain that will be cleaned out.

EGGS FOR MARKET.

It is universally conceded that it pays to sort and pack carefully all fruit intended for market.

They never made a bigger mistake. To sell well all kinds of food must be tempting to the eye.

Finally, the eggs should be sorted according to size. All housekeepers feel themselves cheated if they find one or more small eggs among their purchases.

WINTER STORAGE OF FARM IMPLEMENTS.

Upon storing farm implements in proper condition depends, in no small degree, the success of farming.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

The adult human heart is five inches long.

The climate of the Southern Pacific regions is much more severe than that of corresponding regions to the north.

The Doric column was never less than four and rarely more than six diameters high.

A German has invented a paper from which any sort of ink may be erased by the use of a moist sponge.

The last annual circle of wood leaves, an accumulation of living cells upon its surface, and toward midsummer these cells produce an abundance of new ones until the aggregate is sufficient to form a new layer.

An official notice has been issued in Russia that "physicians shall have the right to make use of hypnotism in the treatment of their patients."

A man fifty years old has, according to a French statistician, worked 6593 days, slept 6000, amused himself 4000.

An attempt is being made in England to utilize the power absorbed in the application of the brakes to tram cars so as to render aid in restarting the car.

Electrical progress has been very rapid in Switzerland on account of the abundance of clean power from water falls.

There are several simple methods of distinguishing between mushrooms and toadstools, and any person who has seen the two together would not be likely to mistake one for the other.

Imitative Foras in Flowers.

Those who have given any particular attention to the study of botanical oddities know that the Brazilian flower known as the "imitative orchid" is so called because its white petals have a series of well-defined, dark-colored lines and dots in which the imagination can readily trace the form of an antelope with its limbs outstretched as if fleeing for its life.

Bacteria and Colds.

According to the Berlin correspondent of the Lancet, Professor Schenk has found that the micro-organisms which move toward warm points.

A Substitute for Tan Bark.

Growing wild in great abundance in New Mexico and Arizona is a plant that yields a large percentage of tannic acid.

FARM AND GARDEN NOTES.

Don't waste the eggshells. Is the binder under shelter? Clean up and paint the machines.

A wise farmer puts his tools in order on rainy days. Look well to the fences between the pasture and cornfield.

When the cat and the chickens lie down together, the chicken takes the inside place.

It is said that wood shavings and salt fed to cattle will prevent clover and alfalfa bloat.

When two vessels of ripening cream are poured together be careful to mix thoroughly by stirring.

It is claimed that roofing felt is excellent in poultry-houses, as the tar which cements it is especially favorable to its growth.

A warm, comfortable house is appreciated by the hen, who reciprocates with a good supply of eggs.

The last egg of a hen's clutch are not considered nearly as fertile as the first, so are the chicks as strong or healthy.

WEAK NERVES

Indicate as surely as any physical symptom shows anything, that the organs and tissues of the body are not satisfied with their nourishment.

They draw their sustenance from the blood, and if the blood is thin, impure or insufficient, they are in a state of revolt.

This is a concise, reasonable explanation of the whole matter.

The cure for Nervousness, then, is simple. Purify and enrich your blood by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and the nerves, tissues and organs will have the healthful nourishment they crave.

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She Walked Out With Two Barrels. "When you talk about strong men I can tell you a story."

You come to a country rich with corn. The young birds pipe in the fields now above.

Stooks of rye and every hand like pointed tents of the red man stand.

The fall is heard on the farmer's floor, and straw and chaff are thick at the door.

Your voice is a thrush's, a fawn's your tread, a garland of wild flowers is round your head.

Four cheek bow bonny, your breath how sweet! And the lamps of the forest light your feet.

Shake your crisp locks to the life-giving sun, Drink of your presses, that laugh as they run.

To ride your kingdoms in the fields of snow, To Doris R. Goodale in Harper's Young People.

WHAT SHE SAW.

BY EMMA A. APPY. I never had Nettie Framo looked for such happiness.

Would he mother think it too sudden? No, no, not a word about it.

Nettie sat in the corner of a great sofa in the long parlor, thinking her happy thoughts.

Stanley came down from the city every night, and every Sunday for all night, and how her contented mind trembled with joy.

She had written to her mother and she had told her Aunt Julia; and she had told her Uncle John.

Nettie was ashamed of the feeling. Of course he admired a handsome, clever, charming girl.

She would go and find Eleanor this minute and tell her. She would tell the how she almost wondered that he had not long ago.

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By that it hurt her; her breath came in little, miserable gasps.

She hardly knew what she was doing, when she passed out across the broad piazza, and, bareheaded, went gropingly out into the thickening dusk.

To be alone—to get away from every body and everything—that was her bewildered longing.

"He must have come by the seven o'clock boat," she said to herself, mechanically, again and again.

And that was at first as far as her thoughts would go; for she could not believe what she had seen.

"No, no!" she whispered, wringing her hands. "It wasn't Stanley. No, no!" as though every feature of his every look, were not familiar and dear to her.

She found herself mounting the hill and sinking down on the rustic seat where they had sat together so often.

Think? She could not. One thing blotted her to all besides and stifled thought—the remembrance of that which the mirror had reflected—of that night of the man she loved and had trusted tenderly, bending to caress another woman.

Her thoughts may have been so, but she was a plaything merely—a source of whimsical amusement for him during the idle hours of the summer.

And she had cared for him so deeply! And she had loved him so dearly! And her love for him had so filled her heart and her life! Oh, it had been so light matter to her.

And now—what? She could not find relief in tears, as she asked herself that wrenching question.

She felt frozen, benumbed. She sat motionless, and stared up at the first faint star in the gray sky.

"Nettie!" a voice called, imperatively and half impatiently.

It was Stanley. May he, and he followed it. He came hurrying up the bank.

"Mrs. Loney told me she saw you coming up here. What on earth— you must have known I'd be there. Or, no; not to think of it!

"How could you think of it! I was so glad, I thought I'd just seen Eleanor Wells. What do you think the matter is?"

"Well, they're engaged!" said he, with an air of triumph.

"Of course I kissed her. But she did not care. What difference did it make what he meant? What difference could anything make now?"

"They're engaged," he repeated. "The trouble is over, the storm is past, and they've got into smooth waters, with the matrimonial port in plain sight.

"You know my next older brother who went to California in April to manage a mining syndicate—the cleverest fellow I ever knew, and he always been a settled thing somehow, that Eleanor would marry Leonard when they got old enough, because they were always sweet on each other."

"Well, they had been regularly engaged for some time, and he had always been a settled thing somehow, that Eleanor would marry Leonard when they got old enough, because they were always sweet on each other."

"It was all about a young Spaniard, that Eleanor didn't care any more about than she does about me; but she had been engaged to him for months; but how well they knew each other now!"

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A Boat of a Single Pearl.

A Turin jeweler has made a tiny boat formed of a single pearl. Its hull is of beaten gold studded with diamonds, and the binnacle light at its prow is a perfect ruby.

Among the products which science has put to valuable service is the nettle, a weed which is now being cultivated in some parts of Europe, its fiber proving useful for a variety of textile fabrics.

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When the mist in partly columns rises o'er the hilltops gray, And the dews of early dawn, In the grasses melt away, Then the sun in softened splendor, Sheds his first rays thro' the morn, Lo, they kiss the sleepy flora.

Over the scene there falls a silence, All the twittering song-birds still; As the lark, his far flight taking, Circles toward the distant hill, Up and upward, lists triumphant, Earth-born warbler, heaven-born, Will a song steals down from cloudland, 'O'er the poppies in the corn.

Softly comes the hush of noontide, Not a leaf sways on the tree, Not a dew-drop on the grass, Not the whisper of a breeze, Grows the sun in searching ray, One was butterfly forlorn, Flitting, falls in dying struggles 'On the poppies in the corn.

A short history of China: A seven dollar loan and a three-dollar servant-girl.—Washington Star.

There was a man in my town, He had a tongue that stopped his ears, And also shut his eyes.

It is the man with about \$6.17 in his credit in a bank that usually tries hardest to stir up a panic.—Washington Star.

The highest form of sincere flattery at the present time is to ask a man if he can change a \$10 bill.—Memphis Appeal.

The walking delegate doesn't need to be remarkably handsome to present a striking appearance.—Buffalo Courier.

A good many concerns that have gone under lately have been sunk by their floating debts.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Friend—"Well, Tommy, now that you've started to school, what do you like best?" Tommy—"Recess."—Inter-Ocean.

"Well, Anna, have you found the rose for my hair yet?" "Yes, Madam; but now I cannot find the hair."—Elle magazine.

Quercus—"Who was it that wrote the song 'You're after me?'" Witticus—"Adam, in all probability, as he was the first man."—The Club.

He went to get a photograph. The result was little else. "Thank hands and feet and smile."—Washington Star.

The true luxury of an alarm clock lies in its reminder that with a little extra haste you can spare fifteen minutes for another nap.—Washington Star.

In the search for the Western train robbers, one detective arrested another detective as one of the guilty men. Detecting is a great business sometimes.—Baltimore American.

They didn't come with awful bills for money they had yet? "Yes, Madam; but now I cannot find the hair."—Elle magazine.

"Life is a song," said some poet, and he told the truth. But it is a sad reflection that a man may make his existence as obnoxious to society as some popular tunes get to be.—Washington Star.

"I wouldn't be so particular to take the sand out of your shoes all the time, Mr. Noodle," she said, and then, after a pause, "Your system might absorb a little. I think you need some."—Philadelphia Record.

"A penny for your thoughts, my love," in tender tones he said, "Than she told me that you were oyster stew. Were floating through her head."

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