

The Farm and the Fireside.

Bearing Years of Fruit Trees. We have ever been strongly inclined to the belief that if fruit trees are properly managed they will bear fruit every year. It is strange that it should be otherwise, and numerous facts distinctly point to the difficulty in the way of securing this result.

Discouraging Children.—It is somewhat related, that a poor soldier, having had his skull fractured was told by the doctor that his brains were visible. "Do write to father," he replied, "and tell him of it, for he always said I had no brains." How many fathers and mothers tell their children such things, and how often this contributes not a little to prevent any development of the brain.

A Sny Youth.—Every thing is arranged for your wedding with Susan Tompkins, said a father to his only son; "I hope you will be as happy as I was." The individual addressing was a young man seated in a chair, despatching a piece of bread and molasses. His only answer was a sigh, accompanied with a flood of tears.

How to Repeal the Nebraska Bill.

Hon. John P. Hale recently addressed a great meeting at Portland, Maine, in one of his ablest and happiest speeches, during which he replied to the cry of the perpetrators of the Nebraska Outrage, "that it cannot be repealed." He said: Suppose you send to the next Congress a "clean ticket" from the State of Maine; suppose you send men who do not endorse the Nebraska Bill, men who want to repeal it; what will they do? When the first general appropriation bill comes up, they will put in a proviso which will not occupy more than three or four lines, to this effect: "Provided, that so much of the bill organizing Kansas and Nebraska, which annuls the Missouri Compromise Act of 1820, be and the same is hereby repealed."

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