

HAY-MAKING.

As the season for making hay is approaching, we will give a few words of caution. Don't try to dry your hay too much. Hay may be dried till it is as worthless as straw. As a good coffee-maker would say, "Don't burn your coffee, but brown it;" so we say, don't dry your hay, but cure it. Our good old mothers who relied upon herb tea instead of "pottery medicine," gathered their herbs when in blossom and cured them in the shade. This is the philosophy of making good hay. Cut in the blossom, and cure in the shade. The sugar of the plant, when it is in bloom, is in the stalk, ready to form the seeds. If the plant is cut earlier the sugar is not there; if later the sugar has become converted to woody matter.

Hay should be well wilted in the sun, but cured in the cook. Better to be a little too green than too dry. If, on putting it into the barn, there is danger of "heating on the mow," put on some salt. Cattle will like it none the less.

Heat, light, and dry winds, will soon take the starch and sugar, which constitute the goodness of hay, out of it; and with the addition of a shower, render it almost worthless. Grass cured with the least exposure to the drying winds and scorching sunshine, is more nutritious than if longer exposed, however good the weather may be. If over cured, it contains more woody fibre and less nutritive matter.

The true art of hay-making, then, consists in cutting the grass when the starch and sugar are fully developed, and before they are converted into seed and woody fibre; and curing it up to the point when it will answer to put it into the barn without heating, and no more.—Ohio Farmer.

HILLING CORN.

The Rural Register has an article from one of its correspondents on the culture of corn, from which we make the following extract:

One day while hoeing in our garden a couple of a quarter of an acre, we sat down a half hour and studied diligently the character of the rootlets everywhere about us radiating from the cornstalks, from one to three inches above the surface of the ground. It occurred to us that nature designed them for something else than mere ornaments; and that if the requisite material for their full development were supplied, they might become roots and add something to the vigor of the stalk. So, in order to make our experiment a fair test, we set to work with our hoe, and to each alternate hill we drew up the earth, covering the shoots to an average depth of eight inches. After an interval of two weeks, we found upon examination, that we had a vigorous set of top roots giving extra support to the stalk and imparting an extraordinary degree of vigor to its growth. Nearly every stalk thus "hilled up" afforded an extra ear, grew one-fifth taller than those not hilled, and the grain ripened days earlier.

Hence we have ever since argued that it is good economy to "hill up" corn; but we would remind the farmer that it is a dangerous practice to run plow or cultivator so near the stalks as to disturb the roots. A very simple and efficient cross-bar cultivator can be arranged, so that with a light dip on either side, the two outer shares will throw sufficient earth to the stalks, without disturbing the roots.

THE WHEAT HARVEST.—I have seen much in the Telegraph and other agricultural papers as to the proper time for cutting wheat; but as the views were given by those at a distance, generally in other States, I would like to have the opinions and experience of those in Eastern Pennsylvania. My own custom for nearly ten years, has been to cut early; that is to say, from three to six days before the time crop is usually cut in this (Berks) county generally from the 25th June to 1st July. I have found that in nearly every case of mildew in former years of my crops, that it occurred, from experiments made on a small scale, that early cut grain makes more and better flour. Hence I have continued to pursue this practice of early cutting as possessing these important advantages. Nevertheless I would like to have the views of farmers generally in this State, and will thank them to communicate them.—G. W. W., in Germantown Telegraph.

LEMONADE.—Three large lemons cut in slices, from which extract every seed, mix well with a half pound crushed loaf sugar, add two quarts cold water.

Rub the gums and teeth with strawberries; they are an excellent natural dentifrice.

VARIETIES.

Contrast is a kind of relation. Is not every true lover a martyr? Material evil tends to self-annihilation, good to increase. Purity is the feminine, truth the masculine, of honor.

He must be a thorough fool who can learn nothing from his own folly.

Knowledge is the parent of love; wisdom, love itself.

To refer all pleasures to association is to acknowledge no sound but echo.

A youth's love is the more passionate; virgin love is the more idolatrous.

The feeling is often the deeper truth, the opinion the more superficial one.

In a mist the heights can for the most part see each other, but the valleys cannot.

To talk without effort is, after all, the great charm of talking.

Taste appreciates pictures; connoisseurship appraises them.

A use must have preceded an abuse, properly so called.

Half the failures in life arise from pulling in one's horse as he is leaping.

Hardly anything is so difficult in writing as to write with ease.

Thought is the wind, knowledge the sail, and mankind the vessel.

I could hardly feel much confidence in a man who had never been imposed upon.

"Who wants to see a masquerade?" might be written under a looking-glass.

The most mischievous liars are those who keep sliding on the verge of truth.

Truth endues man's purposes with somewhat of immutability.

Our poetry in the eighteenth century was prose, our prose in the seventeenth, poetry.

We may keep the devil without the swine, but not the swine without the devil.

A compliment is usually accompanied by a how, as if to beg pardon for paying it.

Friendship closes its eyes, rather than see the moon eclipsed; while malice denies that it is ever at the full.

Many men spend their lives in gazing at their own shadows, and so dwindle away into shadows thereof.

Children always turn toward the light. O that grown-up people in this world become like little children!

Some men so dislike the dust kicked up by the generation they belong to, that, being unable to pass, they lag behind it.

South's sentences are gems, hard and shining; Voltaire's look like them, but are only French paste.

Is not man the only automaton upon earth? The things usually called so are in fact heteromats.

Much of the world's wisdom is still acquired by necromancy—by consulting the oracular dead.

Of what use are forms, seeing that at times they are empty? Of the same use as barrels, which at times are empty, too.

Temporary madness may perhaps be necessary in some cases to cleanse and renovate the mind, just as fit of illness is to carry off the humors of the body.

Hell (a wise man said) is paved with good intentions." Pluck up the stones, ye sluggards, and break the devil's head with them.

Forms and regularity of proceeding, if they do not justice, partake much of the nature of justice, which, in its highest sense, is the spirit of distributive order.

He who wishes to know how a people thrives under a groveling aristocracy, should examine how vigorous and thick the blades of grass are under a plantain.

Open evil at all events does this good: it keeps good on the alert. When there is no likelihood of an enemy's approaching, the garrison slumber on their post.

How much better the world would go on, if people could but do now and then, what Lord Castlereagh used to deprecate, and turn their backs upon themselves!

Instead of watching the bird as it flies above our heads, we chase his shadow along the ground; and finding we cannot grasp it, we conclude it to be nothing.

Jealousy issued to be an offspring of love. Yet, unless the parent makes haste to strangle the child, the child will not rest till it has poisoned the parent.

Pliny speaks of certain animals that will fatten on smoke. How lucky it would be for sundry eloquent statesmen, if they could get men to do so!

Poverty breeds wealth; and wealth in its turn breeds poverty. The earth, to form the mound, is taken out of the ditch; and whatever may be the height of the one, will be depth of the other.

They who are sinking in the world, find more weights than corks ready to attach themselves to them; and even if they can lay hold on a bladder, it is too likely to burst before it raises their heads above water.

Some persons take reproof good-humoredly enough, unless you are so unlucky as to hit a sore place. Then they wince, and writhe, and knock you down for your impertinence, or wish you good-morning.

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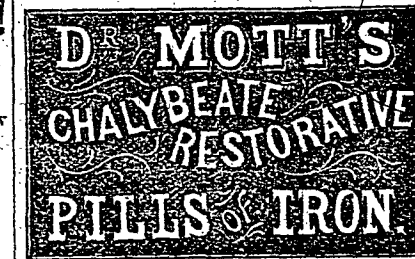
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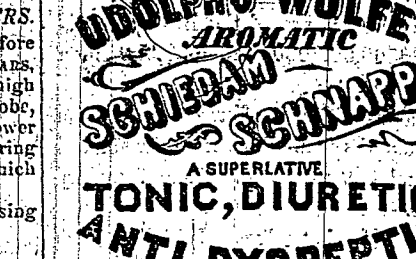
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