

SMITHY SONG.

When I am half a-dreaming,
And only half asleep;
When daylight's grayest gleaming
Glims through the blinds to peep.

SORREL'S VOCATION.

BY EVELYN THORP.



DON'T wish to return to America this year," said the girl, who had been abroad two years.

By their side another sailboat was hurrying to their rescue, tacking as well as the wind would allow.

A week afterward, The little Swiss village still held its four chance voyagers.

"I don't see why you should make any such request, Mr. Hardwicke," she said.

"I thought you might be afraid," said the young lady, putting aside all her little poses of inspired femininity.

"Was it not odd?" confided Sorrel to Hardwicke that evening.

"Oh, the old lady knows what she is about," said Hardwicke, carelessly.

At the end of an hour he made a remark in an undertone to Sutterell.

Sutterell glanced up and shrugged his shoulders.

It is a notable circumstance that all the men elected Speaker, from the First to the Fifty-first Congress, were born in one or another of only thirteen States.

Occasionally a native of one State would be a citizen of another when elected Speaker, but this has been very rare.

AGRICULTURAL.

TOPICS OF INTEREST RELATIVE TO FARM AND GARDEN.

Microscopical examination of pus taken from the jaw of a bullock suffering from lumpy jaw at Peoria, Illinois, recently gave the startling discovery that the spores are smaller than the blood corpuscles.

Considerable interest is taken in "sterilized" milk, which means milk with the germ of bacterial life taken out of it.

The New York Agricultural Experiment Station has for the past three years successfully combated gooseberry mildew, by commencing to spray as soon as the young leaves begin to unfold.

Linseed cake is the staple food with many farmers. It is not improbable that this article will advance beyond a reasonable price, and the farmer should cast about to see if there is not some food which can be bought so as to pay him better.

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If you have good keeping apples there is no need of rushing them to market. There is no doubt but that it will pay you to hold them till later, if not till spring.

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The Rural New Yorker calls attention to the Palouse apple, a seedling of great hardiness, a good keeper and fine as regards quality.

Pumpkins are easily injured by freezing, and much valuable feed is thus lost every fall for lack of care.

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The Country Gentleman gives the following general rules for laying out "cool-yards" and lawns in accordance with the principles of the best landscape gardening.

1. Give attention first to securing a smooth lawn, and well laid out and well dressed walks.

2. Avoid parallel walks, because expensive and needless, unless entirely separated in view from each other by dense planting or abrupt ridges of land, and prefer few walks to many.

HOUSEHOLD MATTERS.

PERFUME FOR GLOVES.

Mix two ounces of spirits of wine with four minims of extract of ambergris. If the insides of the gloves are rubbed with a small piece of cotton wool which has been previously dipped in the mixture, it will give them a pleasant and lasting perfume.

TO SPONGE CLOTH.

All heavy wool cloth for gowns, cloaks or jackets should be sponged before cutting. This prevents shrinking in damp weather and the showing of spots of water.

DON'T NEED YOUR GLOVES WITH SILK.

It is a very common habit, but a great mistake, to mend gloves with silk, as the silk will cut the kid more than fine cotton thread, thus showing the mend far more plainly.

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