

Near Manantoddy, Ind., a man, while sitting in his compound with a striped blanket wrapped round his body, was mistaken for a tiger by another man, an inmate of his own house, and shot dead on the spot.

One discovery made by an exploring party in Abyssinia recently is that the river Gelo skirts the southernmost extremity of Lake Tana instead of flowing into the lake, as was hitherto believed.

A Subway Suggested.
A Kansas man is going to sell his drug store because he cannot be a druggist and a Christian. He might compromise by having his soda fountain endorsed by Bishop Potter.—Washington Post.

A peace-maker in Pennsylvania has just had 21 bullets picked from his anatomy. Peace-making always was a thankless job except when one of the combatants is scared and the other is glad of it.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

FITS permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Extra bottle and treatise free. Dr. B. H. Kline, 1411 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

Pittsburg has already expended \$25,000.00 in the skyscraper boom.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds. W. W. KAMBER, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1904.

Telegraph poles along a railway are arranged thirty to the mile.

Russian Tax on Oil.
Notwithstanding the large production of petroleum in Russia the use of illuminating oil in the country is small. It has been limited by a tax on refined oil. Recently the Baku refiners have petitioned the Government to abolish this tax on refined oil for home consumption, and to substitute for it a tax on all crude oil produced.

A Thoughtful Girl.
The social philosophers who complain that women are heartless must make an exception in favor of the Peoria girl who moved her piano a mile and a half in the woods to do her practicing.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

There are lots of people to whom the chief joy of a country vacation consists in an opportunity to eat corn off the cob, watermelon and huckleberry pie without having to keep up their dignity during the process.—Washington Times.

A QUICK RECOVERY.
A Prominent Officer of the Rebecca Writes to Thank Doan's Kidney Pills For It.

Mrs. C. E. Bumgardner, a local officer of the Rebecca, of Topeka, Kans., Room 10, 812 Kansas avenue, writes: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills during the past year, for kidney trouble and kindred ailments. I was suffering from pains in the back and headaches, but found after the use of one box of the remedy that the troubles gradually disappeared, so that before I had finished a second package I was well. I therefore, heartily endorse your remedy." (Signed) MRS. C. E. BUMGARDNER.



Nothing Wasted.
Nothing about a sawmill goes to waste these days. Ten years ago the sawmill owners would pile their sawdust until they had a large heap, and then they would burn it, getting no return whatever. The most of them now have Dutch ovens for drying the dust, and they burn it in their furnaces, making the refuse pay for the operation. Still others have established paper mills, and use their sawdust for making paper. In the older days great logs were taken and squared and the slabs were thrown away. Now a very thin slice is taken off. Then a board is sawed and edged, and in that way hardly a perceptible fraction is lost with the bark, and even the bark has its uses.

CONSTITIATION
For over nine years I suffered with chronic constipation and during this time I had to take a large quantity of water every 24 hours before I could have an action on my bowels. Happily I found Cabaret, and today I am a well man, having the most regular bowels. I have entered untold misery in my internal system. Thanks to you I am free from all these troubles. You can see this in detail of my suffering humanity. I am, B. F. Fisher, Roanoke, Ill.

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Stay in This Country.
Several letters have been received from readers of this department asking about possibilities in Cuba, Mexico, and other countries, mainly those in the tropics, says the Indianapolis News. It happens that the writer knows considerably of Mexico, Cuba and Porto Rico, hence can advise on these countries, and what is said here holds good with any other country, at least so far as farmers are concerned.

FARM FIELD AND GARDEN

To Keep Tools Bright.
When you get through with tools on the farm, before putting away, give a good coat of mica or any other good axle grease, and when they are again needed they will be entirely free from rust and ready for business, says Charles L. Baker in The Epitomisist.

Selecting Seed Corn.
In selecting seed corn in the field the vigor and growth of the stalks should be observed, as well as the ears. If a stalk produces two or three good ears, mark it. By using seed from the most prolific stalks the tendency will be to produce more ears every year, until as many as four and five ears per stalk will be the result.

Cure for San Jose Scale.
There is a cure for the scale which Professor Troop highly recommends, and it has been used to great advantage by orchard owners. It is a mixture of a whale oil soap and soap solution, with which the trees should be sprayed regularly until the scale has disappeared. Should the pest be almost time the insect will spread to surrounding orchards and cause great damage. In most places where the scale has had full sway the entire orchards are burned and the field used for something else in the future.

Getting Stand of Clover.
Many failures to secure a catch of clover are wholly due to the attempt being made on soil that contains too much acid, sour soil, as we call it. The remedy is, of course, lime, and this may be applied after testing the soil with litmus paper, as advised in this department many times. That there ought to be more clover grown on farms than there is no one will deny, and if this is admitted why not get the soil in the necessary condition to make the crop. It is true that the soil acidity may not be the only reason for failing to make a catch of clover, but it can do no harm to lime the soil if it needs it and then look for the other reasons why clover will not grow on it.—Indianapolis News.

Saving the Wild Flowers.
The arbutus plant is a slow grower, very difficult, practically impossible to cultivate. It is the most national of wild flowers, picking its habitat with dignity fastidiousness and refusing to grow elsewhere. Its slow growing runners are pulled up bodily, and the flowers afterward pulled off and shipped in vast quantities. Once abundant all around New York, arbutus now sold here comes from New England and New Jersey, especially from Lakewood, where it will be very soon extinct. Any flower which has ever been shrined in verse and legend is doomed. It has been advertised, and therefore must die. So many poems have been written about the arbutus, it is so interwoven with the stories of the earliest colonists, that it has been done to death in the house of its friends. In the near future the Pilgrims, who welcomed the Pilgrims, will live only in song and story. Connecticut has taken stern measures for its preservation. It has a law providing a \$20 fine for any one who takes an arbutus plant from the land of another person without permission. Connecticut also protects three rare and famous ferns, the Hartford, the walking fern and the maidenhair, by a fine of \$100 or imprisonment for six months. Massachusetts has long tried to get the same legislation, but has succeeded only recently. The New York society has not yet attempted any legislation, but it is probable that it must come to that, if the arbutus is to be saved from extermination in this state.

Sorghum Refuse.
Sorghum came after running it through the mill has generally been thrown away as useless, or used to mend the roads or stop washes. Several years ago some experimental farmer concluded to try it for silage, so it was run through the cutter and packed in a silo. The result was a success. The crushed stalk mixed with the leaves and tops proved to be whole plant. Since then many others have tried it. The refuse from the beet sugar factories has been put up in this way for a long while, and it is this cattle food which is most excellent for milk cows, that has made beet sugar factories a formidable rival to cane sugar. This discovery has caused quite a revival of the sorghum molasses industry. The attempts to make sugar from sorghum, while successful, have not paid in the past. It is probable that this new use to which the immense amount of waste stalks can be put may revive that.

A Succession of Vegetables.
The garden should hold a very important place on every well regulated farm. Not only are good fresh fruit and vegetables desirable from a health standpoint, but they are more economical than meat and canned goods. City people pay out large sums of money for fruit and garden truck and then cannot secure it so nice and fresh as the farmer can have it if he will. At the Epitomisist experiment station we have planted at intervals lettuce, radishes, onions, peas, beans, corn, cucumbers, cabbage, etc., and we are now using fresh peas, lettuce and radishes just as nice as those grown earlier in the season. Late plantings of all these are now coming on, and are looking fine, assuring a liberal supply of vegetables until frost or later. It is not yet too late for planting peas, radishes, lettuce, turnips, and in case you have good strong plants, cabbage may be transplanted. Try a crop of fall vegetables once and you will likely follow it up in the future.—Horticultural Editor in The Epitomisist.

Goldfish Farm.
A goldfish farm has been established at Walden, Ind., Mr. Shoup could not make ordinary farming pay, so he went in for fish stock and stocked a pond with goldfish as a pastime. He soon found they were multiplying so quickly as to crowd each other out of their presses. He put some of his better specimens on the market and soon received a prompt request for more, until he decided that it would be worth while to devote additional farming space to his fish. So from a mere pastime sprang the largest goldfish industry in the world. At a rough calculation he has 150,000 fish.

A Curious Pear Tree.
In the garden of Charles P. Still, in East Manchester, N. H., there is a curiosity in the shape of a pear tree that has a crop of pears as large in diameter as one's thumb, and a good crop of blossoms in addition. The new growth of wood is nearly or quite a foot in length, and each twig is tipped with a bunch of flowers. The blossoms are not so large as the earlier ones and seem to be dropping off, instead of setting fruit.

More than \$750,000 worth of artificial milk was reported last year from Germany and France to the United States.

FARM TOPICS

PAYING FOR THEIR KEEP.
Because sheep will destroy more than 500 varieties of weeds is no reason that they need nothing else to eat. Angora goats, it is said, will destroy over 650 varieties of plants and weeds, but they require more nutritious food to make good mohair; and so sheep need better food than weeds to turn off good marketable fleeces. Sheep and goats are both good scavengers to clean up the farm, and they may both get some nutrition out of weeds and shrubs, but the flock-keeper who does not provide good nutritious pasture and regular constant food, is called down on the broken-growth of the fiber when the fleeces go to market. Staring one time and heavy feeding at another may be a good way, as one once claimed to get "streaks of lean and fat" in pork, but it won't make good regular growth fiber in wool as many sheep owners have found when neglecting their sheep. No class of domestic animal pay better for their keep than good sheep, when we consider both the mutton and fleece.—Indiana Farmer.

FEEDING SMALL CHICKENS.
Chicks do not require food for the first twenty-four to thirty-six hours after hatching. One of the best foods that can be fed the first few days is stale bread slightly moistened with milk. This should be crumbled fine and placed where the chicks have free access to it, so they cannot step on it. If placed on the floor or on a board, the larger part of the food will be trampled upon, and soon becomes unfit to eat.

TROUGH FOR THE YOUNGSTERS.
A simple and efficient feeding trough may be made by tacking a piece of tin or galvanized iron about three and one-half inches wide, and of any length desired along the edge of a half-inch-board, so that the tin projects about one and one-half inches on each side. Bend this up so as to form a shallow trough, and fasten the board to blocks which raise it an inch above the floor, as shown in the accompanying figure. This trough may be from one to three feet long. It is within easy reach of the chickens, and so narrow that they cannot stand upon the edges. The food placed in such troughs will be kept clean until consumed.

Granulated oats with the hulls removed make an excellent food for young chicks. There is perhaps no better grain food for them than oats prepared in this manner. It may be fed to good advantage after the second and third day in connection with the bread. The chicks should have free access to some kind of grit after the first day.—Walter Kinney, in Farm and Home.

FARM NOTES.

Good feeding is the forerunner of prosperity. Liver is a good food for milk production, because it is rich in fats. Failure is the usual result of thinking a business can run itself. The farmer's team should be one well adapted to his requirements. Even in summer sufficient bedding should be provided to keep the stock clean. The dwarfing of a tree occurs by the slight disagreement between the scion and the stock. Desirable qualities are fixed in a herd by a long line of careful selections and breeding. Thrift in sheep is generally secured, when the farmer thinks enough of them to care for them. Moss-covered trees will be much benefited by scraping and then white-washing with lime and wood ashes. Judgment is the outgrowth of experience, yet a man may have a wide experience and yet lack in judgment. The profitable mutton breeds of sheep are those of early maturity, rapid growth and necessarily short-lived. It is very important that a brood sow should be gentle, so that she may be handled at farrowing time if necessary. It is not through increased age that increased cost of growth results, but the greater cost is the outgrowth of increased size. One of the strongest inducements a farmer can have to grow and to fatten stock is to use the stock as a medium to improve his land. Fancy prices are only obtained for fancy horses. If you expect to get the top of the market you must have the best kind of horses. No one business has any assurance of always proving a profitable one, because changes so frequently occur to disturb all branches of farming. Sweet skim milk has over four pounds of sugar to each 100 pounds of milk. Souring the milk changes the sugar into lactic acid and decreases the feeding value by so much. While sour milk will sustain life, and if given enough of it young animals will grow, they will do much better on warm, sweet skim milk.

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WAS IT ARSON OR ASSAULT?

What Happened When Some Whiskers Went Up in Smoke.
He was not a large man, but he had the most elaborate and ambitious set of whiskers that had been seen on Broadway in many a day. They were thick and curly, and afforded a complete ambush behind which the proud proprietor remained in hiding, and thus absolutely concealed his real appearance and his hopes.

The wind was blowing almost a gale, and the man in front of him stopped to light a cigar. He drew from his pocket a small box containing matches of the sort that defy wind, rain hail and lightning; once they are ignited. Nothing can extinguish them after they start to burn until the fire consumes all of the chemicals on the end of the tiny stick. And these chemicals are so liberally applied by the manufacturers that each match resembles a tiny gong-beater.

The man lit his cigar and then threw the fuse away. As he threw it the other man he of the luxuriant whiskers, passed. The flaming torch, resembling a young comet and prepared to deal destruction as it traveled, landed in the wilderness of hair behind which the other man was concealed.

The whiskers caught fire and began burning fiercely. Fanned by the strong wind, the conflagration spread rapidly in spite of the fact that the owner of the beard was pawing at his face with both hands, and was yelling as only a man can yell whose property is on fire when he knows that he is carrying no insurance.



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