Our Book Table.

HISTORY OF CHARLES THE BOLD, DUKE OF BURGUNDY. By John Foster Kirk. 2 vols. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincett & Co. 1864.
Mr. Kirk was for many years private Secretary and amanuensis to that distinguished historian, the late William H. Prescott. This position naturally brought him into close connection with the great masters of historical investigation and recital. And this relation has developed a new mind, fertile in native resources and unwearying in research, which has given the world a work which wall always occupy a high place in its collection of standard histories.

Mr. Kirk is wanting in much of the grace and fancy of Mr. Prescott; but he has more correctness, his delineations are more natural, and he writes more in that earnest style in which great movements take place. The period selected for his first work is a highly important one, and also one of which even intelligent readers know but little. But the causes which brought about the state of things here described, and the results which tollowed, are worthy of the most careful study. It is instructive, as well as a relief to the mind amid the fiercer excitements of

the present, to read and ponder the tumultuous days of the past. . Four centuries ago, France consisted of three provinces—Gascon, Breton, and Burgundy. Each of these was governed, subject to the King, by a hereditary duke or prince. Jealousies, controversies, and threatened collisions between these feudal princes and the King, were not uncommon. At length, when Charles XI. ascended tue throne, he sought to establish peaceful rela-tions between himself and England, the Pope, Savoy, and Spain; neglecting, for the most part, all attempts to conciliate the three great prov-inces attached to his own kingdom, and which really constituted it. He also surrounded himse'f with a court inimical to the princes of these provinces, and imposed most burdensome exactions. This led to the civil war between them and the King, which drenched France with blood, and involved in its complications, to a

greater or less extent, all Europe. To set forth before our eyes such a time as that, was no easy task. It required great power of comprehension, much toilsome inquiry and research, and a faculty for delineation of character of a very high order. Mr. Kirk has met all the conditions required for such a great work, and has produced two noble volumes which place him at once along with Gibbon Hume, Prescott, Macaulay, and Moteley.

REPORT OF THE ORGANIZATION AND CAMPAIGNS OF THE ARMY OF THE PO-TOMAC; To which is added an Account of the Campaign in Western Virginia, with Plans of Battle Fields. By George B. M'Clellan, Major General United States Army. Price, \$2.50. New-York: Sheldon & Co., Publishers,

335 Broadway: 1864.
This is what is popularly known as "General M'Clellan's Report," published under his own supervision. It includes, in addition to the "Report" furnished the War Department an ac-count of his campaign in Western Virginia. It is also illustrated with maps printed on tinted paper of the Siege at Yorktown, the Peninsula, the Seven Days before Richmond, and the Battle of Antietam. The index is remarkably full, affording great facility for finding any person of fact of which mention is made in the text.

This volume covers a most important period in the history of the Army of the Potomac, and indeed of the whole country. Here the friends and adherents of General M'Clellan will be able to learn all that he can say in support of himself; and here his opponents can read all that he can say in defence of himself. In the preparation and publication of this edition of his "Report," the General has taken much care and time, while the publishers have brought it out in a very handsome style; as they do all the many books which proceed from their

THE POST OF HONOR. By the Author of "Broad Shadows on Life's Pathway," "Doing and Suffering," &c. #1864. New-York: Robert Carter & Brothers. Pittsburgh: Davis

This is an earnest, good, and useful book; a book for every family; one which every member of the family should read, and will be likely to read. Its aim is to show that the post of honor is to be found in "the ways in which we may witness for Jesus, whether by the quiet testimony of a Christian life, or by the per-sonal sacrifices of that we hold most dear, or by deliberately choosing a life of self-denying labor, or by a noble confession of the truth in the face of persecution and death." The persecutions of the Christians in Madagascar have been happily chosen for "illustrating that form of witnessing for Christ, which is at once the most difficult

SORDELLO, STRAFFORD, CHRISTMAS EVF, AND EASTER DAY. By Robert Browning 1864. Boston: Ticknor & Fields. Pittsburgh

Messrs. Ticknor & Fields are now engaged in bringing out a beautiful edition of the poetical works of Robert Browning. The first poem in this volume was published originally in 1840, and the second in 1837. And ever since, they have been read and admired by increasing num-

SIXTEEN REVELATIONS OF DIVINE LOVE. MADE TO A DEVOUT SERVANT OF OUR LORD, CALLED MOTHER JULIANA, An Anchorite o Worwich, who lived in the days of King Edward the Third. 1864. Boston: Ticknor & Fields. Pittsburgh: Henry Miner.

This is a reprint of contemplations and mystical musings of an English nun of the 16th century. She had excluded herself from the world had sought high degrees of holiness; and for this end had prayed for great bodily afflictions. The afflictions came, and through this means, according to this book, great nearness to God was secured, and much delightful intercourse with him, which she and her friends considered

as immediate revelations.

The entire design of the book is to commend the High Church system of Christianity, which has for its modern advocates, Dr. Pusey and his followers in England, and their imitators in this country. Its piety is neither Scriptural nor healthful, though an air of great sanctity pervades every page.

The book is elegantly gotten up from admira-

ble type, on thick, cream-laid, tinted paper, with dark-red edgings. Mr. Hecker, the noted High Churchman of New-York, introduces it to the

THE WESTMINSTER REVIEW, January, 1864, has the following articles: The Life and Writings of Roger Badon; The Tunnel under Mont Cénis; Astrology and Magic; The Depre-ciation of Gold; Gilchrist's Life of William Blake; Parties and Prospects in Parliament; The Inspired Writings of Hinduism; Russia; The Philosophy of Sleep; Contemporary Litera-

The four British Reviews are still re-published by Leonard Scott & Co., at \$10 per annum. A delay in the January numbers has been occasioned by the scarcity of printers in New-York.

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY, for March. made its appearance at the proper time, but absence prevented an earlier notice.

This Magazine continues to present, every month, a great variety of contents, and is con-ducted with great spirit and liberality. It strikes us that, of late, some of the writers have been indulging in attempts at "fine writing," which had better be dispensed with in a publication of this character, as soon as possible. In this very number a few instances of the kind referred to may be observed. Published by Ticknor & Fields, Boston. For sale in Pittsburgh by Henry

HORACE GREELEY, among his many other HORACE GREELEY, among his many other engagements, is now writing a work, entitled the American Conflict," to consist of two large double-column octavo volumes of 600 pages each, illustrated by maps, diagrams of battle-fields, sieges, naval actions, views of places of historic interest obtained from official Reports, and other authentic documents; together, with a large number of fine steel plate portraits of prominent Generals, and other distinguished persons con-nected with the war, both North and South. But another and most important characteristic is the history of opinion, with respect to slavery in this country, from its early settlement by the whites to the present time. This will make the work valuable for reference by all persons who wish to be well informed on this subject of surpassing interest to all Americans.

The first volume will be published about the 1st of May, and will contain seventy portraits on steel, classified and arranged in appropriate groups, besides other illustrations. The work will be sold only by subscription. Published by O. D. Case & Co., Hartford, Conn., and George Sherwood & Co., Chicago, Ill.

Fireside Reading.

For the Presbyterian Banner. Thy Will, not Mine, be Done.

The following extract is from the Chronicles of the Schonberg Cotta Family." In it is a lesson for many of the afflicted and sorrowing, who find it so diffi-cult to submit to God's hand in the griefs and bereavements now so frequent and painful. There is an earnest simplicity in primitive German piety worthy of imitation in these exciting times. "I have said it from my heart at last

Yes, I am sure I say it from my heart, and if with a broken heart, God will not despise that—' Our FATHER, which art in heaven, thy will, not mine, be done.' I thought I could bear anything better than suspense: but I had no idea of what blank of despair the certainty would bring. Then came dreadful rebellious thoughts. that God should let him die alone! And then recurred to my heart all they had said to me about not making idols, and I began to fear I had never really loved or worshipped God at all, but only Bertrand; and then came a long time of blank and darkness, into which no light of human or too young?". Alice was only five years Divine love, or voices of comfort seemed in old, but she had learned to love the Saythe least to penetrate. I thought God iour; and felt already the obligation to live would never receive me until I could say, for him who had laid down his life for her.
'Thy will be done,' and this I could not "What can you do, Alie? or what do

to convey any meaning to me at all, were child's clear eye and open brow. it was easy to believe in God's pardoning almost every day since he came here; and hard, indeed, to hold to the truth he knew too young, mother?" so well; that Christ was not a severe judge, or a hard exacter, but a forgiving Saviour, the Bible that God will perfect praise out indeed love itself, pure, unalterable love. of the mouth of 'babes and sucklings.' devil, the malignant, exacting, evil spirit Gthat I had been listening to in the darkness Father, before I could bring him a perfectly goes to bed?" submissive heart. And then, I remembered the words, 'Come unto me, all ye that laing.

"I shall keep awake and listen," said room, I fell on my knees, and cried, 'O bles- little Alie. sed Saviour, O heavenly Father I am not submissive, but I am weary, weary and heavy begin again'----

"Nobody but Ann."

The weary, worn-out sun had gone to We were sitting at the window watching your Father it you treat him so?"
for his form among the occasional passers-by;
The man was amazed, and for a result of the man was amazed.

"Who is that?" exclaimed I, as a pretty little figure came hurry up the avenue, and went in the basement door. "Nobody but Ann!" said Mrs. Smith.

with an air of contempt too plain to be unnoticed. Mrs. Smith was the wife of a government contractor; and Ann was her "ser-

vant girl;" hence, Ann, was "nobody;" and Mrs. Smith was a member of the than nobody. There was a vast difference between Ann

ty, and intelligent; the other was hateful. ney by working for other people; the other permit them to inspect the works. made money by other people working for

Ann's or Mrs. Smith's?

"Nobody but Ann!" And what if she great Taskmaster will refuse the laborer his nity of any kind penny because he worked under a master? No! he sometimes refuses those who do not work at all-like Mrs. Smith.

And who set this would-be goddess upon strangers: the stilts of conceited pride, that she should be a head and shoulders above her betters? men," replied the superintendent; "we are 1856, on young trees, and was then in a Surely, none but herself. There are hundall too busy to attend to every party that position to give, and did give, the most miup above their fellows (none else ever do it.) like some golden calf to be idolized and are hundreds and thousands of Mrs. Smiths. Pray, reader, are you of them? If you are at all like her, your shoulders are surely broad, and will bear a little lashing. And now, did you ever think what a clog you are in the wheels of human progress? How some of your silly friends are trying to imitate you in your luxurious laziness and some of their friends are imitating them, and so on, until honorable labor is

deemed a disgrace.

ted piece of Greenland. Ah, look out; you little man, the head clerk, apparently, who, know there is a place where even ice is in reply to their request to be shown over line, and in most cases lower down to withmelted. Would you have all this changed? the establishment, answered, "Oh, yes, then you must change yourself. Get down come with me, gentlemen; this way!" So was brown, and the woody and cellular tissue. from your stilts, and then your heart and the hearts of others will be closer together. Strewn with iron bars, broken and rusty partly pushed out, died, and many of them Let the sunshine of love dry the vinegar wheels of iron, fragments of old cylinders; fell off; while from them as well as from the flies—much less friends. Learn to love out stopping to explain any one thing, he fluid, sweet but pung others as well as yourself—aye! half as led the strangers along with the evident the taste, cozed out well—and then you will be beloved. Money intention of getting rid of them as soon. The wood and bra and talent can buy admiration, and some-as possible. When they paused where the times envy; but Dan Cupid is a shrewdold workmen were rivetting the external cast-trafficker, and only gives love in exchange ings of a boiler, the clerk looked at his for love. You cannot cheat him it he is watch, tapped his right foot against an iron "blind." He can detect counterfeits by stube, and showed other signs of impatience. whole-souled, self-sacrificing woman. That will not detain you any longer, sir," and them down and replanted with others. I is near enough to perfection: for I some—with his friend, took leave—did so with a few of mine, but all that were times think that a true woman is the high—"This man is an improvement on the spared, in due time put forth their leaves, est type of humanity that ever-stole out of other," said Mr. Wolfe; "but all the civand although not growing with their accus-

lost paradise. And now a word to the little "nobodies!" further."

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The strangers walked on for nearly half a live, and are bearing fruit to this day.

It rarely, very rarely, almost never hapthen we could dispense with one half of our mile in silence, when one of them pointed pens that trees are killed by a severe Winphysicians and other unnecessaries. physicians and other unnecessaries. Little to a picture of a locomotive engine with ter. The stem may be, and doubtless is, nobodies, do not be discouraged! The a train of cars underneath. It overtopped often killed, if indeed, as is now doubted world may talk about nature's noblemen; a small building not more than ten feet in among botanists it possesses life, or disbut you are nature's noble women. You are height, communicating with a yard and charges any of the essential functions of real living units, while the Mrs. Smiths are workship.

The Kingdom by the Fireside. I am king in my own domain,

And my little wife is queen; And jointly o'er our realms we reign— A royal couple I ween. Beauty and grace are the robes that flow

From her lily shoulders down;
The gems of truth on her bosom glow, And love is her golden crown. Her dainty hands are brown with toil,

Her cheeks with the breezes kiss, -As she works for a tiller of the soil. As if work for him was bliss. I am the king and the tiller, too-

My farm is my proud domain; And the will to dare, and the strength to Are the sceptres of my reign, At my touch the teeming earth yields up Her wealth for my feast and store; The nectar of health brims high my cup, My measure of bliss runs o'er.

O! ne'r was a happier realm I ween, Than ours 'neath the arching sky; And never a happier king and queen Than my little wife and I.

The Child Missionary of Fifty Years Ago. "Mother, I want to do something for Jesus," said little Alice Fearing; "am I

you want to do?" her mother replied. She "The first words I remember that seemed thought she saw a definite purpose in the some of Dr. Luther's in a sermon He said, " Mother, I have heard Mr. G -- swear

love in times of peace, but in times of temp- I cannot bear it, because I know it hurts tation, when the devil assailed the soul Jesus. I should like to ask him not to do with all his fiery darts, he himself found it it any more, if you think I may. Am I

"Then I began to understand it was the So you may try what you can do with Mr.

The child looked thoughtful a moment: of my heart; that it was he who had been then she asked, "Do you think, mother, persuading me I must not dare to go to my | that Mr. G --- says his prayers when he "I do not know, indeed," said Mrs. Fear-

Now there was no partition of the upper story of the house (where all the family laden; and I come to thee. Will thou take | slept,) consequently the child's trundle bed me, as I am, and teach me in time, to say, was very near the couch of Mr. G-, be-'Thy will be done?' And he received me, ing only divided from it by a curtain of and in time he has taught me. At least I calico. Alice was put to bed much earlier can say so to-night. To-morrow, perhaps, the | that Mr. G-retired; but with great resold rebellion will come back. But, if it does, olution she kept awake until he came. I will go again to our heavenly Father, and | Then she listened; and when the man had say again, 'Not submissive yet, only heavy covered himself in bed, she heard him rapladen! Father, take my hand, and say, idly and carelessly repeat the Lord's prayer. He was soon snoring; while the little missionary who lay so near-him waked on his behalf to ask a blessing on her intended soon after moved-his whole establishment mission.

The persevering cries of buyers and thoughtless and wicked eath. With tender sellers had died out of the noisy streets; pity in her eye, she confronted the swearer. the street lamps had just been lighted, and "Mr. G—, did you not say 'Our Fathe sky-lamps too were, one by one, being ther," last night? How dare you swear so slowly kindled around the throne of night. slowly kindled around the throne of night. this morning? Do you think God will be

The man was amazed, and for a moment for that hour, that blessed hour, had come, when many a hundred hearts, I fancy, wait caught the child in his arms, and kissed still and anxiously for the coming of some her; promising with the help of God never tenderly loved one that went forth in the to swear again. And he kept his word.— Congregationalist.

Miscellaneous.

The Worth of Courtesy.

A few years ago, on a radiant Spring afternoon, two men, who, from their con-"shoddy" aristocracy, which is a little less | versation, appeared to be foreigners, stopped before the gate of one of our large work. most as severe as that which was then ad shops in Boston for the manufacture of loand Mrs. Smith One was pleasant, pret- comotive engines. Entering a small office. the elder of the two men inquired of the other stoned fruits, must now, I fear, be homely and ignorant. One made her mo- superintendent in attendance if he would abandoned. The buds of all such fruits

"You can pass in and look about, if you please," said the superintendent, vexed, Which was the more honorable mode, apparently, at being interrupted in the perusal of his newspaper. He then scanned in the Western papers, and I have recentthe two strangers more closely. They were ly received a number of letters from perwas a servant girl? Did that make her respectably but plainly dressed, and evil sons residing in Indiana, and Westwardly, any the less a lady? Did you suppose the dently made no pretensions to official dig- stating that the peach trees themselves are

"You must pick your own way, gentlereds of conceited persons who set themselves | comes along. I'll thank you not to in- nute attention to all the circumstances conterrupt the workmen by asking questions?" It was not so much the matter as the marked resemblance in temperature, winds worshipped. They try to make them- manner of his reply that was offensive to &c., between that Winter and the present selves conspicuous, and only succeed in ren- Mr. Wolfe and his companion. It was one, as the following review will show: dering themselves ridiculous. Yes, there spoken with a certain official assumption of superiority, mingled with contempt for the 1856, at 9 P. M., the thermometer marked visitors, indicating a haughty and selfish 14° below zero; and remained below zero

"I think we will not trouble you," said weather moderated, and continued compara-Mr. Wolfe bowing; and taking his com-tively mild until the 11th February, when

blame the man for not wishing to see us er continued changeable as usual, and as it over his establishment; he is no doubt an- is now until the opening of Spring. The And then you wonder why every one dis- noyed and interrupted by many heedless only difference between that Winter and like you! I will tell you why. You think visitors; but he might have dismissed us the present, is in the intensity of the cold, the world was made for you; not you for the with courtesy. He might have sent us away that being a few degrees colder than this. world. Your think yourself better than better content with a gracious refusal than In the Spring of 1856 we heard the same

of frostiness. You yourself are an impor- ilar kind. They were received by a brisk very slowly. The wood of the stem and out of your face. Vinegar never catches into the principal workshop. Here, with- leaves just forming, a stickey, honey-like the sense of feeling. In a word, be a true, Whereupon Mr. Wolfe remarked, "We ing their pear and peach trees all dead, cut

real living units, while the Mrs. Smiths are workship.

"Look," said the observer, "here is a es, appear to perform merely the mechani-

machinist whose name is not on our list." | cal office of supporting and holding in pro-"Probably it was thought too small a per position the bark and foliage, in which concern for our purpose," said his companion

"Nevertheless, let us try it," said Mr Wolfe. They entered, and found at the desk a

middle-aged man, whose somewhat grimy aspect, and apron round his waist, showed that he divided his labors between the workship and the counting-room. "We want to look over your works, if

you have no objection." "It will give me great pleasure to show you all there is to be seen," said the mechanic, with a pleased alacrity, ringing a bell, and telling the boy who entered to take charge of the office. He then led the way, and explained to the strangers the whole process of constructing a locomotive engine. He showed them how the various parts of the machinery were manufactured, and patiently answered all their questions. He told them of an improved mode of tubing boilers, by which the power of generating steam was increased, and showing with what, care he provided for security from bursting. Two hours passed away. The strangers were delighted with the intelligence displayed by the mechanic, and with his frank, attentive, and unsuspicious

manners. "Here is a man who loves his profession so well, that he takes pleasure in explaining its mysteries to all who can understand them," thought Mr. Wolfe. "I am afraid we have given you a good

deal of trouble," said the other stranger. "Indeed, gentlemen, I have enjoyed your visit," said the mechanic, "and shall be glad to see you again." "Perhaps you may," said Mr. Wolfe,

and the strangers departed. Five months afterward, as the mechanic, whose means were quite limited, sat in his office, meditating how hard it was to get business by the side of such large establish ments as were his competitors, the two strangers entered. He gave them a hearty welcome, handed chairs, and sat down "We come," said Mr. Wolfe, "with proposition from the Emperor of Russia.

From the Emperor? Impossible!" "Here are our credentials." "" But, gentlemen," said the now agitated mechanic, "what does this mean? How

have I earned such an honor?" "Simply by your straight-forward courtesy and frankness, combined with professi onal intelligence," said Mr. Wolfe. "Because we were strangers, you did not think it necessary to treat us with distrust or coldness. You saw we were in earnest in acquainting ourselves with your works, and did not ask, before extending to us your civilities, what letters of introduction we brought. You measured us by the spirit we showed, and not by the dignities we could have exhibited,"

The mechanic visited St. Petersburg, and there. He had Imperial orders for as The next morning, Alie again heard the many locomotive engines as he could construct. He has lately returned to his own country, and is still receiving large returns to two strangers, one of whom was the se cret agent of the Czar of Russia.

Farm, Garden, &c.

Effect of the Cold Weather on Peach Trees. We commend the following article to the attention of our readers who are in posses sion of a single peach tree. It is from a gentleman of long experience in peach culture, and of close observation.

EDITORS OF THE BANNER :- Since my last communication, we have been visited with another season of cold weather. Alverted to. Whatever hopes were then entertained of having a crop of peaches and appear now to be entirely destroyed by the

Another question of still more serious import claims our attention. I see it stated killed. I would say to them and to all other "Is there any one who can show us over anxious inquirers, your trees are not dead, the establishment, and explain matters to although appearances may and do indicate us?" asked Mr. Wolfe, the elder of the it. I speak quite confidently on this point, because I still retain a vivid recollection of the effects of the Winter of 1855 and nected with this subject. There is a very

On the evening of the 8th of January, for three days and nights, after which the panion's arm, they passed out.

"If there is anything I dislike it is incivility," said Mr. Wolfe to his companion, when they were in the street. "I do not 10th was 13° below, after which the weath when they were in the street. "I do not 10th was 13° below, after which the weath reconstruction or sink. 18mo. Pp. 237. Price 40 and 45 cents.

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other people. You lips don't say it; but with an ungracious consent." cry that we hear now, that the fruit trees your actions do, most emphatically. "Perhaps we shall have better luck were all killed, and indeed appearances your actions do, most emphatically.
You are a social iceberg, Your looks are here," said the other stranger, and they chills and fever." Your manner is full stopped before another workshop of a similar put forth their leaves on the 1st of May, but, were all killed, and indeed appearances seemed to confirm it. Bear trees began to stopped before another workshop of a similar put forth their leaves on the 1st of May, but, were all killed, and indeed appearances seemed to confirm it. Bear trees began to put forth their leaves on the 1st of May, but, were all killed, and indeed appearances seemed to confirm it. Bear trees began to put forth their leaves on the 1st of May, but, were all killed, and indeed appearances.

fluid, sweet but pungent and irritating to The wood and branches of the peach

did so with a few of mine, but all that were And now a word to the little "nobodies!" further." the heart. We must look the usual amount of foliage, continued to heaven to bear back to man a portion of his lility he has is on the surface; it does not tomed vigor, nor clothing themselves with 122 WOOD STREET

alone reside and are carried on all the functions essential to the prolongation of life and growth of the tree. I have often seen, and doubtless you have also, the whole inside of trees decayed and removed, nothing but a hollow shell remaining, and yet

the tree living and flourishing.

A word of advice before I close. As soon as you are satisfied that the blossombuds of your peach trees are destroyed, and that consequently you will have no fruit the coming season, prune them severely, very severely. If the trees are but two or three years old, cut off the whole head of the tree. If over that age, cut off all the main branches to within two or three feet of the trunks, and the result will be that by ext Fall your trees will have formed an entire new head, round, handsome, and vigorous, and will be prepared to furnish you a crop of peaches the following year far superior to what they would do if let alone. I have in this way renovated old peach trees that had almost ceased to bear fruit, and restored them for a time to all their former beauty, vigor and productiveess. THOS. L. SHIELDS. Sewickley, March 1, 1864. ness.

Don't Keep Too Much Stock.

It has long been a maxim with good farmers and thrifty business men, that what is worth doing at all is worth doing well. In no branch of farming does this maxim apply with more force than in the rearing of animals. No man should undertake to keep more stock than he can care for properly and keep well. It is no uncommor thing to see colts and young cattle so poor in the Spring as to be hardly able to draw one foot after another, and really not worth the feed they have consumed during the Winter, whereas a few shilling more of the right kind of food, and a little more and better care, would have made these same animals healthy, thrifty and valuable.

Young animals should be kept growing from the time they come into the world until they arrive at maturity, which can be done INIMITABLE HAIR RESTORATIVE only by a regular supply of good nourishing food, plenty of pure water, and a comfort eases, than those that are abundantly and shelter. Nature cannot be cheated with impunity, and when the attempt is made, bad results will show themselves in some way. We shall not soon forget the reply of a farmer when asked by a neighbor what would cure his sheep of grub in the head. properly supplied with food, drink and would cure his sheep of grub in the head. "More grub in the belly," was the an-

When young animals are sick, poor, lousy, and in bad condition, there is a cause for it, which in nine cases out of every ten may be traced to the fact that they have either been starved, have not been sheltered from cold storms, or have been in some way neglected by their owner. Aside from the inhumanity of the thing no farmer can afford to keep his stock poorly through the Winter, and send them to pasture in the Spring mere shadows. It requires a certain amount of food to sustain animal life, and but a trifle more to keep stock in a thriving condition. One yearling heifer or steer that is sent from Winter quarters in good condition is worth more than two starvelings, as every one of experience knows. Farmers who send their stock from the barns in Spring mere bundles of skin and bones, are always comdles of skin and bones, are always complaining that "it does not pay to raise stock," while such remarks are but very seldom heard from those who have shown their humanity by properly caring for the brutes around them. Common sense, common prudence, and humanity dictate to men of common understanding that they should keep no more stock than they can keep well .- American Stock Journal.

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