# The Bloomfield Times.

HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN.

We invite communications from all person who are interested in matters properly belonging to tals de-partment.

#### Only a Farmer.

A record such as any man might be proud of, is that of John Conant, farmer. of Jaffrey, N. H., who died recently at the age of 80 years. "His inheritance was a sound constitution, a clear head, and a warm and honest heart." At 26 he purchased a farm, and within the next 25 years gathered from it a forfune of more than a hundred thousand dollars. This was during the reign of moderate prices before the war, and his fortune was the result solely of his good judgment, energy and perserverance, applied in his farming, and without speculation or remarkable opportunities. Mr. Conant made good use of his money. During his life he gave over \$20,000 to the churches and schools of his town; to the New London Institution \$12,000, and to the Asylum for the Insane \$6,000. His love for his profession, however, made him especially active and solicitous for its welfare. Accordingly, "hisgrandest benefactions," says the Mirror and Farmer, "were to the Agricultural College at Hanover. Upon this institu-tion the Jaffrey farmer lavished gifts which aggregated more than \$70,000, and it is to his generosity that the State is indebted for the college farm, and, in fact, the college itself. 'Conant Hall,' erected by funds contributed by him, is one of the monuments to his memory, and the twenty-three scholarships, one for every town in Cheshire county, will always bear witness to his clear head and his liberal hand,"

To young men who see in agriculture no opportunity to gain wealth, honor and influence, here is a biography worth studying. All honor to such a noble man, say we, and honor to those who man, say we, and honor to those who shall profit by his example. Would that wealthy farmers generally, even though they have got their money by inheritance, or in other callings—were as practically and unselfishly active for the good of their calling. Were but a tenth part of the wealthy farmers about us to emulate and copy his example, there would be little need for anxiety for the future of agricultural education.

#### Hardening Steel.

As the hardness depends on the quickness with which it is cooled there are better materials than water, which, besides, gives an unequal temper, the steam bubbles developed interrupting contact. Another thing, water is a bad conductor of heat, and if the bubbling and heat did not put it in motion it would be unfit for hardening. Water with plenty of ice in it gives a harder temper; small tools may be stuck into a piece of ice, as jewellers and watchmakers insert them in a piece of sealing wax. Oil is also used by them as being better than water, as it does not evaporate so easily. The Damascus steel blades are tempered in a strong current of cold air passing through a narrow slit. This gives a much more uniform and equal temperament than water. But the most effective liquid is the only liquid metal-mercury. This being a good conductor of heat-in fact the very best liquid conductor and the only cold one-appears to be the best liquid for hardening steel cutting tools. The best steel, when forged into shape and hardened in mercury will cut almost anything. We have seen articles made from ordinary steel, which have been harden-ed and tempered to a deep straw color, turned with comparative ease with cutting tools from good tool steel hardened in mercury. Beware of inhaling the vapor while hardening.

### The Pear Blight and Linseed Oil.

The Rural Home, of Rochester, N. Y., says: "A year ago we gave some account of experiments by D. P. Westcot, of this city, in treating blighted pear trees with linseed oil. He had, in the latter part of the previous year, washed several pear trees, which had commenced blighting, with raw linseed oil, and the spread of the blight semed to be arrested, and the trees had then put forth their foliage, which appeared perfectly healthy.

"We felt a little anxious to know whether those trees entirely recovered, or whether in course of last season they succumbed. So on June 1st we visited the grounds again, and were pleased to find his trees looking perfectly healthy and making a vigorous growth of new wood. You can see upon the trunks, and on some of the branches, the dead blackened exterior bark, showing the effects of the blight, two years since, but not a leaf indicates that any remnant of the disease remains. We took a knife, and cutting through the dead bark, found the inner bark green and sound. We think that these results are sufficient to warrant further trial of the remedy, as it easily applied and seems to do the tree no injury."

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