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HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN.

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

Use of Forest Leaves.

Every year we find frequent exhortations to farmers to save and utilize the fallen leaves in the woods and in by places around the farm. So far as my experience goes, this practice scarcely pays the labor it requires. Wood leaves of themselves are of comparitively little value as manure. They are good absorbents for urine and other nitrogenous manure, but on all grain farms there is usually more than enough straw and other refuse for this purpose. Straw is a better absorbent than leaves, and is richer in the elements of plant food. Even if leaves were ever so valuable, it would be cheaper to get them in their decomposed form as leaf mould. A man might work all day gathering leaves which when rotted would not make as much mould as he could dig in the woods in twenty minutes. The manurial value of this mould is less than the average of good soil in well manured fields. There is a difference in leaves, those from some varieties being more valuable than others, but generally they contain little phosphoric acid, little nitrogenous matter, and depend for their value chiefly on the carbonaceous matter which they contain. Excepting on light sandy or gravelly soils, carbon is seldom lacking. Farmers often speak of the advantage of clover as furnishing vegetable matter; but if clover did nothing but this it would be in far lower repute than it is.

As an absorbent, leaf-mould from the woods is more valuable than the unrotted leaves. But it is not worth more than muck, which is only another form of mould. Its mechanical effects on the soil are excellent; but unless from locality land is very valuable, it will not pay to haul vegetable mould in quantity sufficient to change the mechanical character of the soil. It requires a heavy dressing of the strongest nitrogenous manures to make poor soil rich. Much more will it need larger application of less fertile material. A man may work for six months gathering leaves, and not have enough to fertilize an acre. The only practical mode of increasing vegetable matter in the soil is to grow it there and thus make nature help in the work. Whatever leaves fall upon the soil or are brought there by the winds will help the land, but more as a mulch than for its manurial value. I have no doubt that where soil is deficient in vegetable matter it will pay to leave long stubble to favor catching and holding whatever is blown over the surface. In any other way there is rarely much advantage in directly adding to the vegetable matter in the soil.

Sensible Advice.

Professor Silliman, of New Haven, recently closed a Smithsonian lecture by giving the following sensible advice to young men: "If, therefore, you wish for a clear mind and strong muscles, and quiet nerves, and long life, and power prolonged in old age, permit me to say, although I am not giving a temperance lecture, avoid all drinks above water and mild infusions of that fluid; shun tobacco, opium, and everything else that disturbs the normal state of the system; rely upon nutritious food, and mild, dlluted drinks, of which water is the base; and you will need nothing beyond these things, except rest, and due moral regulations of all your powers, to give you long, happy, and useful lives, and a serene evening at the close."

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