

The Bloomfield Times.

HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN.

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

The Boy Shepherds of Nebraska

One pleasant day we rode 20 miles over the Laramie plains, from Laramie City to Little Laramie river, where we found a prosperous sheep-raiser from Nebraska, named Edward Farrel. There were no neighbors for miles around, with the exception of a nephew of Motley, the historian, who had left his father's pleasant home, near Boston, Mass., and located a sheep ranch close by here. The Farrel's gave us a most hospitable reception, inasmuch as one of our party was Mr. Neston, the Auditor of the state of Nebraska. Furthermore they had long been subscribers to the *American Agriculturist*, and the last number lying on the table was not an unpleasant reminder of home to one on these far-away plains. We bade them good-bye late in the afternoon, turned off to the right of Sheep mountain, and entering a narrow plain between high ranges of hills, spurred forward our jaded animals, until the gathering shadows warned us that we could proceed no further with safety. At daybreak we spied a large flock of sheep close by a rude cabin or dug-out, in which were two boys, sons of Mr. Farrel. Here, 12 miles or more from home, they had been tending a flock of 2,300 sheep during the entire season. They shot their game with an old rifle, did their own cooking, and lived entirely alone with their dogs and two ponies employed in herding the sheep. They alternated in watching the sheep, which were driven into the corral every night, as a protection against bears, wolves and other wild animals. An antelope which one of them shot the day previous was suspended near the door of the cabin. There was a good range here, and the father had in the spring time sent the sheep and the boys to possess it. You will be surprised when I tell you that these lads, entrusted with the care of over 2,000 sheep, and living here in this remote, secluded spot, were only 11 and 13 years of age. It is astonishing, the early self-reliance which these frontier children display, and the skill which, as mere urchins, they attain in herding. — *American Agriculturist.*

An Experiment in Planting.

Last spring one of my neighbors concluded to try an experiment in planting corn and potatoes, which he conducted as follows: He prepared the ground in the usual manner and marked rows each way, rather closer than usual (about three feet each way.) Then commencing on one side of the piece of ground (an acre or two,) he planted two rows of Early Rose potatoes, then two rows of corn, etc., alternating between corn and potatoes.

There are many advantages in this plan. The potatoes complete their growth and may be dug before the corn occupies ground to any extent.—Also, the corn has the full benefit of the sun and plenty of room, while the slight shade which the potatoes receive from the corn when they are nearly ripe, is rather beneficial than injurious.

The potatoes were cultivated and hoed the same as the corn and were not hilled. They produced an excellent crop, much more than the same number of hills planted in the usual manner, while the corn yielded eighty bushels of ears to each acre of ground; but as only one-half the space should be charged to the corn, it really produced one hundred and sixty bushels to each acre occupied.—Thus, from each acre of ground he obtained eighty bushels of corn of the very best quality, and a good crop of potatoes, the exact amount of which I was unable to learn.—*Exchange*

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Take gutta percha, half ounce; bi-sulphuret carbon, two ounces. In a wide mouth bottle put the two together, and shake occasionally until the gutta percha is dissolved and it is ready for use. When the patch is to be applied, scrape the boot or shoe until the blacking is off and the leather is a little rough. On this dust with fine resin, minutest quantity; serve the patch the same way. Then spread a little of the cement on both the shoe and the patch, first having shaved the edges of the patch. Apply like court plaster, and smooth with a warm spoon or iron, and the shoe will soon be ready to wear. A few hours will harden the cement. When properly done the patch will be invisible, and will last as long as the shoe. This cement is waterproof. The gutta percha, shaved to thin slices, is kept in India rubber stores for the purposes. Ten cents' worth will do the work of a family for a long time. The bi-sulphuret of carbon is sold by druggists, and will cost five or ten cents an ounce. The smell, which is offensive, soon passes off.

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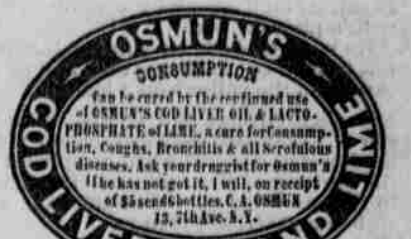
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