

The Bloomfield Times.

HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN.

Fences on Side Hills.

One fact connected with the building of fences on side hills is commonly overlooked; the surface is not a fixed fact. Like a glacier, the whole body of the soil is in motion; imperceptibly, but surely the particles of earth composing the surface, move each upon the other. The result is seen in the position assumed by the majority of such fences. However plumb they may have been at first, they soon begin to incline with the hill, and before long present a disagreeable, tumble down appearance.

Much difficulty may be avoided by proper care. If, instead of setting the posts absolutely plumb, they are given a slight inclination toward the ascending side, the movement of the surface will have far less hold upon them, and will really tend to bring them to the vertical position, and keep them there much longer. An angle, say, of one degree from the absolute vertical line will be enough, and will not be offensive to the eye. The reason for the greater stability of this position is found in the fact that in the shifting over of the posts as thus set, the rotary motion of the body of it, over the foot, compels a slight rise of the upper part, which the adhesion of the earth, when closely rammed down, as constantly resists.

German Pancakes.

Sift three tablespoonfuls of flour, add a salt spoon of salt and a teaspoonful of pulverized sugar, mix dry; break four eggs and beat up whites and yolks, and pour flour, salt and sugar into them, stir thoroughly, then last add a quart of milk; take a clean, thin frying-pan, and use only the best butter, about a tablespoonful will suffice. When the butter is hissing hot, but not brown, pour in the batter; they ought to cook through from the lower side; roll up before serving, and powder with pulverized sugar; serve as hot as possible and eat with lemon juice. If you want to stripe them heat a skewer, and having added sugar outside, apply the hot iron in streaks.

Baked Indian Pudding.

Pour enough boiling water on two cups of meal to wet it thoroughly; then add one-half cup of butter, well beaten with one cup of sugar, till like a cream; two well beaten eggs, a little salt, two cups of milk, two tablespoonfuls of molasses, nutmeg and cinnamon to suit the taste; one tea-cup of stoned raisins, slightly chopped; bake slowly three hours. If preferred, use two-thirds of a cup of finely chopped suet instead of butter; instead of raisins a cup and a half of dried whortleberries are very nice, or two cups of finely chopped sweet apples instead of any other fruit is excellent.

Corns on Horses' Feet.

Corns are rarely absent from flat-footed hoof. They are caused, in the majority of cases, by stones lodging in the space unwisely left by blacksmiths between the inner edge of the shoe and the sole of the foot. This causes a bruise, which soon becomes inflamed, and the horn being unyielding the products of the inflammation cannot escape and remain as a constant source of tenderness and pain. The remedy is to keep the space stuffed with tow soaked in glycerine, or otherwise to lay a leather sole under the shoe to protect the sole of the foot.

Grafting wax may be made by melting together four pounds of common rosin, two pounds of beeswax and one pound of tallow. If to be used in the orchard in cool weather, add a quarter of a pound more of tallow, or a little raw linseed oil.

A successful potato grower advocates planting potatoes cut to single eyes only, and reports a yield of 488 bushels of Early Rose to an acre, and a large bushel yield from twenty two eyes of another variety planted in hills three feet apart, one eye to the hill.

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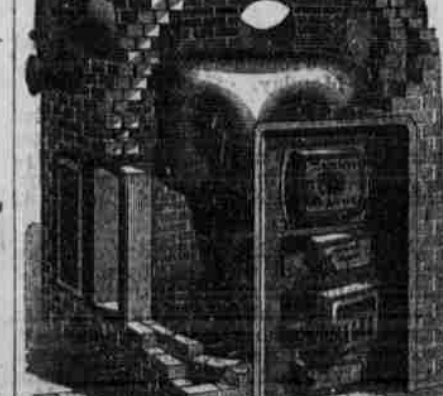
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