## 

HOUSE，FARM AND GARDEN．

## Plgeons on the Farm

No one can vinft a poultry show with－ ut belng at times struck with the great numbera and variety of pigeons．It is not unusual to find bundreds of them on exbibition，and a acore or varieties－－
These have not been fivorite birda with farmers，as they regard them an Inclined co pull up corn and sontler excrement about the barn．
As for their reputation for mischief， hey are in this respect like other birds， charged with the damage done，but not
credited with the good they do．Pigeons are great scavengere，devouring multi－ tudes of insects，and among others the canker worms，whiteh do so much dam． age to npple trees．Judgling from my Wn experience，which has not been limited，they do four－fold more good
than misehlef．As for their dirtying the premisen，this is the fault of the farmer． Furnish them a convenlent dove cote， and keep tight barns，and the excrement sill a a fertlliser－ ase as a fertilizer．
Squabs are becoming a favorite dish to pay a high price for them，and farm－ ers should see to it that the market is well supplied with＇such food as is in de－ mand and pays well．It is a pleasant
feature of the farm house to see doves flying around it．They give animation flying around it．They give animation
to a scene which，otherwise，might bea uittle lifeless ；and as they plek up their own living mainly，and are very pro－ liffe，a good dinh for home and for mark－ et can be cheaply furnished．

Do Not Sleep on thefloor．
It is unhealthy to sleep on the toor．－ The late Canon Kinggley explained the
reason for this in a simple way which will enable plain people to understand
it．He describes what he calls＂the two It．He describes what he calls＂the two breaths，＂and their effects．The two
are，of course，the breath taken in， are，of course，the breath taken in，
which＂is，or ought to be pure air，com－ posed on the whole of oxygen and ni－ trogen，with a minute portion of car－ bonie actd，＂and the breath given out，
whtch，＂is an impure air，to which has which，＂is an impure air，to which has
been added，among other matters which been added，among other matters which
will not support life，an excees of car－ bonie acld．＂He then points out that this carbonic acid gas，when warm，is lighter than the air and ascends，and when at the same temperature as com－
mon air is heavier than that air and de mon air is heavier than that air and de－－
seends，lying along the floor，＂just as it lles often in the bottom of old wells or brewers＇vats，as a stratum of poison，
killing occasionally themen who descend into it．＂Hence a word of admonition is addressed to those who think nothing of sleeping poor are too apt in times of distress to pawn their bedsteads and keep their beds，＂the friends of the poor are en－ treated never to let that happen，and to ＂keep the bedstead，whatever else may go，to aave the sleeper from carbonle acld on the floor．

## Fall hye and Canada Thistlee．

＂I took，＂says the Uxbridge（Mass．）
farmer，＂． 2 one of the most exhausted farmer，$\cdots$ one of the most exhausted
fields on my farm and completely over－ run with the well－known pest，Canada thistle，plowed it deep in the latter part
of September and sowed two of September and sowed two bushels
per aere of full rye．In the spring I per aere of flill rys．In the spring 1
turned on all my stock about the 20th of April and kept them on till the 2tth of May，when they had it cropped so close that I took them off for a week to give the rye a start．The last week in June I plowed the field about nine inches in depth，harrowed well and in
about two weeks gauged it over and har－ rowed It again about the 1st of August． I put on then about twelve loads of well rotted manure per acre on the high． est parts and gauged it down September
1 ，ridged It up about six inches 1 ，ridged it up about six inches deep and
sowed it with a broadeast seeder 2 bush－ sewed the tucre of Clawson wheat，weigh－ ing sixty－one pounds to the bushel，and all the thistles could have been bound into one small sheaf．Boil，part clay sabsoil．＂

Eighty－Five Dollars Lost．
band is up not tellot me that your hus－ 17 cured by so simple ${ }^{\text {a }}$ ，medicine as
Parker＇s Ginger Tonlc ${ }^{\text {n }}$ ，Yea，Indeed， I do，＂said Mrs．Benjamin toher enquir－
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