

The Bloomfield Times.

HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN.

Unshod Horses.

Some farmers, disposed perhaps to instantly scout the suggestion that horses do better without than with shoes, as unworthy of consideration (so strong is the belief in the necessity of shoeing which has been indoctrinated into them their whole liveslong), will learn with surprise that there is most respectable authority for a contrary practice. Sir George W. Cox, who has had large experience in the building of railways and other public works in Mexico, Peru, Brazil and elsewhere, and who has employed thousands of horses therein, contends, on his own ample experience and observations, as well as on those of distinguished veterinary surgeons, farmers and others, that the practice of shoeing is not only needless and wasteful, but positively deleterious to the horses. Asserting that on the average, the horse begins to work at 3 years and is worn out at 12, he insists that the period of its efficiency is shorter by 14 years than it ought to be. This involves a loss to Great Britain alone, every 21 years of \$675,000,000. Very much of this shortening of efficient term he attributes to the practice of shoeing. The nails compress the elastic hoof, causing dryness and brittleness; they and the shoe together, prevent the expansion of the hoof when placed on the ground by the horse and made to support its weight, a process fitted to give firmness to the step, and by the resultant contraction, to facilitate the lifting of the leg out of thick slimy soil. Many diseases are superinduced by shoeing, which impair working power and abridge life.

In many S. A. countries the author found unshod horses, daily worked, carrying heavy loads from the interior to the coast hundreds of miles, over roads as rough as those of England or Ireland, and yet without wearing a way the hoofs. They were remarkably free from disease traceable to the use of shoes. Donkeys in Ireland are unshod. In the Orkneys, on the Welsh hills, in many parts of the Continent of Europe, horses run unshod over rocks, through ravines, over precipitous ridges, yet they "never suffer from contracted feet, from corns, sand-scrapes, etc., until they become civilized and have been shod." Xenophon, who had large experience with horses and was a keen observer, in his treatise on the management of horses made no allusion to the necessity of shoeing them. He accomplished his great journey over the Armenian highlands by unshod horses, by which a strain was endured that could be borne only by unshod animals. Paul Louis Courrier, the French translator of Xenophon, was so struck by his suggestions as to put them to the test by riding unshod horses in the Calabrian campaign of 1807, which they stood with complete success. During the Indian mutiny many of the English cavalry horses were unshod, and their riders "have declared they were never better mounted in their lives."

Worth Remembering.

One thousand shingles laid four inches to the weather will cover over one hundred square feet of surface, and 5 pounds of shingle nails will fasten them on.

One fifth more siding and flooring is needed than the number of square feet to be covered, because of the lap in the siding and matching in the floor.

One thousand laths will cover seventy yards of surface, and eleven pounds of lath nails will nail them on.

Eight bushels of good lime, sixteen bushels of sand and one bushel of hair will make enough mortar to plaster 100 square feet of wall.

Five courses of brick will lay one foot in height on a chimney; nine bricks in a course will make a flue eight inches wide and twenty inches long, and eight bricks in a course will make a flue eight inches wide and sixteen inches long.

How She Saved Money.

"For nearly six years my daughter was most of the time on a sick bed from kidney and other disorders peculiar to women. We had used up our savings on doctors and prescriptions without any benefit. Our dominie advised us to try Parker's Ginger Tonic, and four bottles effected a marvelous cure. As it has been our only medicine since, and a dollar's worth has kept our family well over a year, and have been able to lay by a little money again for a rainy day." A Poor Man's Wife. 104t

Prejudice Kills.

"Eleven years our daughter suffered on a bed of misery under the care of several of the best (and some of the worst) physicians, who gave her disease various names but no relief, and now she is restored to us in good health by as simple a remedy as Hop Bitters, that we had poached at for two years, before using it. We earnestly hope and pray that no one else will let their sick suffer as we did, on account of prejudice against so good a medicine as Hop Bitters." The Parents.—Telegraph. 13 2t

BEATTY'S OFFER FOR THE SPRING SEASON

Advertisement for Beatty's instrument, priced at \$85. It features a large illustration of the instrument and text describing its benefits for various ailments. The text includes a list of ailments it treats and a list of agents across various states.

Address, or call upon DANIEL F. BEATTY, Washington, New Jersey.

Advertisement for a \$1000 reward for the cure of hemorrhoids (piles). It includes a list of symptoms and a warning to be cautious of imitations.

Advertisement for Peter Henderson's Seeds and Plants. It lists various types of seeds and plants available, along with contact information for Peter Henderson & Co. in New York.

Advertisement for a free medical common sense booklet. It offers a free copy to anyone who provides their name and address, along with a list of ailments it addresses.

Advertisement for the Dincee & Conard Co. It promotes their 'VIA-SANO' medicine for liver and kidney ailments, highlighting its effectiveness and safety.

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Advertisement for estate notice. It informs the public of the passing of Susan Rice and the distribution of her estate, including a list of beneficiaries and their shares.

Advertisement for an elastic truss. It describes the benefits of the truss for various conditions and provides contact information for the manufacturer in Chicago.

Advertisement for a startling discovery in the restoration of lost manhood. It offers a cure for various ailments and provides contact information for the provider in New York.

Advertisement for Dr. Hutchinson's Worm Destroyer. It describes the medicine's effectiveness in treating worm infestations and provides contact information for the manufacturer.

Advertisement for pensions. It offers financial support for disabled soldiers and their families, detailing the application process and benefits.

Advertisement for a large farm for sale. It describes the features of the farm, including its location, size, and potential for agriculture or investment.

Newport Advertisements. NEWPORT DRUG STORE.

Advertisement for Newport Drug Store. It lists a wide variety of pharmaceuticals, chemicals, and medical supplies, along with contact information for B. M. Eby.

Advertisement for W. R. S. Cook & Co. It offers a variety of medicinal and sacramental purposes, along with contact information for Newport, Penn'a.

Advertisement for Jones Bros. & Co. It specializes in lumber and shingles, offering quality products and prompt service.

Advertisement for Grain & Produce Merchants. It lists various types of grain and produce available for sale, along with contact information for Newport, Perry County, Pa.

Advertisement for J. B. Hartzell. It offers wholesale tobacco and cigars, along with contact information for Wright's Building in Newport, Pa.

Advertisement for B. Himes. It offers fire insurance services, highlighting the company's reliability and coverage options.

Advertisement for a license. It provides information on how to obtain a license for various activities, including details on the application process and fees.

Books! Books!

Advertisement for E. C. Beach, Bookseller. It lists various types of books, including gift books, children's books, and Bibles, along with contact information for Newport, Penn'a.

Advertisement for J. P. Latchford, Auctioneer. It offers services for the sale of real estate and other assets, along with contact information for Newport, Pa.

Advertisement for C. B. Harnish, Auctioneer. It offers services for the sale of various goods and real estate, along with contact information for Delville, Perry Co., Pa.

Advertisement for F. P. Hoover, Auctioneer. It offers services for the sale of various goods and real estate, along with contact information for New Bloomfield, Pa.

Advertisement for Home Manufacture. It offers a variety of home goods and furniture, along with contact information for the manufacturer.

Advertisement for Kendal's Spavin Cure. It offers a specialized treatment for spavin, highlighting its effectiveness and ease of use.

Advertisement for Bloomfield Academy. It provides information on the school's curriculum, faculty, and enrollment details.