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Clover is the most profitable summer pasture for hogs; but the pasture or field should be divided into two or three lots, so that the stock may be changed from one to the other during the season.

Breeding Farm Horses.

National Live Stock Journal.

We have encouraged the use of the large imported horses of the better class, because we have thought that one of the greatest defects in our farm horses was want of size; and this, it seemed to us, could better be supplied by an infusion of the blood of the draft horse than from any other source. But we are certain that in many localities quite as large an infusion of this blood has been made as will be profitable; and that for the use of the farmer, better horses can be produced from these grade draft mares by the use of a stout, large, compactly built, thoroughbred horse, or a highly bred, well formed and good sized trotting stallion, than by a further infusion of the blood of the draft horse.

Returning again to the Percheron blood, we have no hesitation in affirming our belief in its excellence; and that its to this blood, which, at a very early day, was largely introduced into Canada, that the horses of that section owe much of the excellence that distinguished them fifty years ago. Very many of the very best strains of general purpose or farm horses that we have ever had in the United States, have been brought from Canada, and evidently partook largely of this blood. From that country we have had the Pilots, the Corbeaus, the Columbuses, the St. Lawrences, the Royal Georges, the Napoleons, the Normans, and many other recognized families of superior excellence, which we believe derived their merit mainly from the old Percheron blood, brought over by the French settlers, rather than from an imaginary strain of imported Messenger, spirited in some mysterious manner across the border, as a certain self-styled "Horse Authority" in this country has told us over and over again. And while, as we have said, we think in many sections we have had quite as much of the coarse, draft horse blood introduced as will prove valuable, yet we are clearly of opinion that we can never get too much of the genuine Percheron blood in any part of our country, where the production of hardy, useful horses is the object in view.

Girdling Fruit Trees.

Homestead.

The veteran horticulturist, Prof. J. B. Turner, of Jacksonville, Ill., writes an account of a visit to the Spaulding fruit farm in Sangamon county. He saw there 14,000 bearing apple trees with scarce a blemished or defective one among them. At the bottom of this grand culture is thorough underdraining, even where the ground was dry and sloping. Lime and salt have been freely used as manure, and an army of 500 young turkeys do duty in suppressing insects. In the line of pruning and training, a regular system of girdling is what took the professor's eye. Not as a novelty, for he girdled trees in his father's orchard sixty years ago, and often since, but here it it done on a large scale and considered as one of the prime conditions of profit. In every case where a row or a tree has been left ungirdled there is a failure of fruit, while all the girdled trees are loaded.

Exhaustion is prevented, and the size and fairness of the fruit maintained by liberal feeding; a car load each of salt and lime being then on hand for use in the orchard.

Not a single tree has ever been injured by the girdling, even when rings of bark many inches wide have been taken off, but usually there are about a quarter of an inch wide; and Prof. Turner says that he merely runs a widely set saw round the tree or branch that he would operate on, thus doing it very easily and quickly. The proper season for the operation is in June. He has induced bearing in trees of Lawrence Pear and Winter Nelis at a very early age, and has some now full of fruit which otherwise would not have shown their quality for many years. A Green Pippin tree, a foot through, which had not borne a peck of fruit in ten years, has been cured of its barren habit by the same simple means. Girdling seems especially applicable to such trees as a check to their tendency to continual growth of wood. To be harmless, the removed bark must be replaced by a new protective covering in the same season, but this healing over must not be immediate or the check to the sap flow is now sufficient to change the tendency from wood making to fruitage.

NEW SHOES

GOAT, CLOTH AND PATENT LEATHER.
Boston Transcript.

"Pair No. 19," said the small girl, as she brought two little shoes from the big box in the center of the room and laid them on the sofa.

"It will probably be pair 119 before I finish," said the lady, who sat there as she picked them up and tried them on. "When a person has been in the house a year and has nothing but slippers to her feet, and is going to start on a long, leisurely journey next week she has a right to be particular as to what she will wear. Aren't all my new gowns so short of skirt that it is a duty to be particular about my boots! Would you have me me a fright, Conny!"

Conny brought six more pairs by way of answer, and the two sat down to compare them. "They are in delightful confusion," said the lady, "and what with goat and India goat, and patent leather and glove kid, my poor head is in a whirl. You describe them to me, Conny, while I shut my eyes, and I'll tell you what I want."

"This has a high heel," began Conny.

"Of course it has," interruped the lady. "When they say low heels, they mean anything to which you can climb without a radder."

"The sole is rather thin, and the foxing runs all the way around, and there is a neat little back strap."

"That would do for a walking boot in very dry weather," remarked the lady; "but aren't there some that have a half-opera toe and low vamp? Those are more becoming!"

"They have French heels," Conny answered, "and you don't want those."

"Not I," replied the lady. "French heels are well enough when one wears a train, but French heels, when one shows the whole of one's foot in a short dress, are too absurd. There's a girl on the other side of the street who wears them, and she seems to be trying to dig her toes into the ground with every step. There's a Louis XV. boot somewhere among those first nineteen, and it is stitched with white along the heel so as to call attention to its peg-like shape. You may lay aside that foxing, for they will look well with any black dress, and make the foot seem smaller than smooth lasting."

"Here are some dancing shoes," said Conny, "with rather stiff soles and high heels, and tops of the softest French kid. You ought to have a pair of those for evening; and there are French goat boots with a Scotch welt, and here are some diagonal-cloth tops that are as pretty as the basket cloth."

"Didn't somebody say that they were wearing patent-leather opera toes?" asked the lady. I used to like patent leather when I was a little girl, because I could see my face in it, and they make it so delightfully soft now that it is a pleasure to wear it."

Boots with patent-leather opera toes were easily found and laid aside for the holidays that are to come, when the reigning March wind has blown itself out and when they will seem just the thing to wear with the short-skirted suits of cambric sateen. Shoes lacing at the side were not to be found, although the lady demanded them, not because they were pretty, but because she had heard that they were English, but there were laced shoes, laced on the instep, and the low tie which has been a favorite for years. There were evening slippers with one, two and three rosettes; but the slipper with none at all were marked "Favorite," and when Conny told her so, the lady pettishly inquired if the shoemaker supposed that everybody was a Cinderella, and selected D'Orsay slippers as a compromise. The prettiest evening shoe she found was the sandal, with its numerous narrow straps, and she equipped herself with two pairs of these and several sets of rosettes.

"When the good time really comes, Conny," she said, "shoemakers will make slipper rosettes of ribbon, and will charge—oh! how they will charge for them! But now, when we think that bows ought to cost nothing, they will make them of folded silk or velvet, and we shall wear them out in an evening. You needn't show me the lawn tennis shoes. I know that they are to be very gorgeous, and are to match costumes of every degree of brilliancy and eccentricity. I know that they are to be worked in crewels, and the feet of tennis players are to look like flying bouquets as they twinkle across the lawn, but I don't care. And I don't want to see croquet slippers either, but you may select some canvas bathing slippers for me."

"There really isn't anything new among these things," said Conny, as she packed away the rejected shoes.

"Oh, yes there is," answered the lady; "only your small mind does not appreciate it. There are not quite so many bottons, and the boots are a very little lower, and those ugly tips have quite disappeared, except from plain lasting boots."

"They've been out of fashion this four years," muttered Conny.

"And the new boots are fuller in the instep and broader on the toe, and are comfortable, Conny, comfortable."

Conny pointed to the high-heeled slipper as she sped out with the box, and the lady composed herself to the quite admiration of her treasures.

A New Illuminating Fluid.

London Telegraph.

Highly interesting experiments with a newly-discovered mineral essence took place a few evenings ago at the laboratory of an eminent Parisian analytical chemist, M. Wuertz, in the presence of several members of the Academie des Sciences. Having filled a lamp with the liquid in question, and ignited the wick, M. Kordig, the discoverer of the essence, tossed the lighted lamp up against the ceiling, besprinkling the bystanders as well as himself with the flaming fluid, which, however, to the astonishment of all present, proved utterly devoid of heat or burning capacity. He then soaked his pocket-handkerchief in the essence and set it on fire; the essence burnt itself out, but the handkerchief remained uninjured as did his hat after subjection to a similar trial. Then M. M. Wuertz, Dumas and Friedel plunged their hands into a pan filled with the burning liquid, withdrawing them with fingers all alight, like so many jets of gas. They experienced no sensation of heat whatsoever upon the skin surface thus apparently in a state of active combustion. Other experiments followed of an equally wonderful nature, conclusively demonstrating that the "Kordig essence' is capable of producing light without heat. All that is at present known of its special physical characteristics seems to be that it is a thin and colorless oil, evaporating with great rapidity. Its discoverer proposes to adapt it to general domestic use for lighting purposes, its chief recommendation being absolute harmlessness, for it is altogether incapable of exploding, and may be poured while burning upon the most delicate textile fabric without the least risk of igniting the substance.

Sheik El Mochsen.

Among the first victims of the unpleasantness of France, is the leading saint of Tunis, a holy man directly descended from the great Prophet of Islam. His name is Sheik El Mochsen. The Daily Telegraph says that he never wore any other garment but a woollen shirt, and made a practice of sleeping on the roof of his house, with the sky for his canopy and the moon for a night light. He was a grave and abstemious man, and yet his favorite pastime was the damaging of his neighbor's house property. Every now and again he would sally forth from his own dwelling, armed with a crowbar, and proceed in the most solemnly energetic manner to prise a large hole in the wall of some mansion which happened to have taken his fancy. As soon as he had completed his self-set task the inhabitants of the perforated abode had quitted it, and became his property, the original owner being liberally indemnified by the Bey for all loss incurred. Whenever El Mochsen called upon the Bey His Highness greeted him with a kiss upon the cheek, an honor seldom accorded by the great man to his own near relatives. Everybody in Tunis was afraid of the holy man; which, considering the character of his amusements, is scarcely to be wondered at, and his death produced an extraordinary sensation throughout the city. He had scarcely breathed his last when his woolen shirt was carried to the Bey, who, with admirable self denial, declined to keep the whole of so invaluable a relic, but had it cut into pieces, one of which he kept, distributing the remainder among his great officers of state. El Moschen died on the eve of his august ancestor's birthday, and the belief is current in Tunis that he quitted the world thus prematurely in order to avoid seeing his native country fall into the hands of France.

The Power of Music

Louisville Courier-Journal.

This Haskett had been one of those patient souls who had tinkered old watches and peddled violins down at Columbus, Ohio, managing somehow to keep body and soul together, and several months since he brought Remenyi a violin whose tone pleased him. Remenyi impulsively loaned him one of his best as a model. A few weeks since Haskett placed in his hands the new instrument, which he called, in honor of his patron, "Remenyi." The violinist has been in raptures ever since, and it was to permit us to gloat with him over his marvelous discovery that we were corralled together.

In an instant Remenyi had kicked off his shoes and flung aside his coat and vest. Then one by one all his precious violins were tested. Then the "Remenyi" flew to his shoulder. Sweet and soft and tender and so far away as if but the echo of a dream the master began. So gradual was the crescendo, so long were we kept in dreamland, that a breathless hush had come upon us; but soon, with the ever-increasing radiance of the musician's face, came nearer and nearer voices and tones of marvelous number and perfection. Although almost completely spell-bound with the wizard work of the man and the instrument, I happened to look at the "buffer fiddle maker," as Remenyi calls him. His great hands clenched as though his finger-nails were driven into his palms, his head thrown back, his mouth open, he sat there pale as a ghost and rigid, his eyes fixed upon Remnlyi with such a stare as alarmed me. If ever human charmed human, Remenyi charmed this man there and then. But soon the melodious voices changed into mild wailings, then to grand symphonies, then to piteous minors, then to whirlwinds of diapasons, at last ending with such a heroic and sublime and overwhelming sweep of music as is but once in a lifetime heard. Haskett's face quivered like a child's; soon the great tears began rolling down his face, and giving this wonderful instrument and its master such a look as a mother might give to her babe whom another had nursed from her breast into life and love, he fled the room. Then for hours Remenyi swept this masterpiece with his charmed bow, and only as the shadows of night began to gather we departed, and then with a something within us and about us that can only be felt but never told.

Getting Their Senses.

New Orleans Times.

We may as well make up our minds to it. New Orleans, unless content to see herself outstripped by cities of yesterday, must become a "Yankee city," just as New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia and Chicago are all "Yankee cities." The "Yankee cities" are the rich and prosperous cities. They have found out how to grow and how to win. There can be no great city on the continent of North America hereafter that is not a "Yankee city." That is very certain. The "Yankee cities" somehow have the capital, the enterprise, the organizing power, the skill that gets on."

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