

Lincoln a Way.  
Secretary Seward was an Episcopalian. On one of the occasions when President Lincoln's patience was tried by a self-appointed adviser who got warm and used strong language, Mr. Lincoln interrupted him by saying: "You are an Episcopalian, aren't you?" and when asked why he thought so, said: "You swear just like Seward, and he is." This was Mr. Lincoln's way of getting rid of such advisers.

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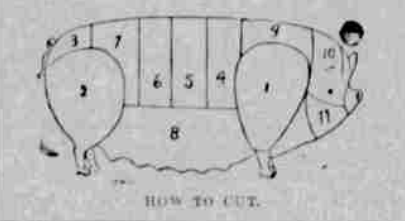
## HOME AND THE FARM.

### A DEPARTMENT MADE UP FOR OUR RURAL FRIENDS.

The Ignorant Cannot Succeed in Farming—Directions for Cutting Up a Porker—A Garden Wheelbarrow—One Great Advantage of Farm Life.

**How to Cut Up Pork.**

There are many ways of cutting and curing pork. The accompanying diagram will doubtless be of assistance in enabling the inexperienced to master the process. The head should first be cut off and the carcass divided in halves by splitting the backbone lengthwise. The shoulders and hams, 1 and 2, should be taken out. The rump piece, 3, 7 and 8, can either be salted or used fresh; 4, 5 and 6, the "mess" pork, are good for chow, cutlets, or roasts, or the ribs may be removed and the whole side, including 8, may be turned into bacon. The lower part, 8, is the portion most highly esteemed for bacon. It should be cut in long strips, convenient for smoking. The head should be split down, and the joints 11, salted or smoked. The remainder of the head, with the ears and feet may be pickled. To cure pork put an inch layer of salt in the bottom of a barrel and then pack in a layer of pork as solidly and as closely as possible, with the rind next to the



HOW TO CUT.

staves of the barrel. Put a layer of salt on top of the pork, then more pork again, and so on until the barrel is full. Then place on top of all a board cut nearly to fit inside the barrel. Weight it down with a heavy stone then fill it up with a brine of cold water containing all the salt it will hold in solution. Pork must never be packed until it is entirely free from all animal heat, nor must a barrel or cask be used that has ever held anything else. The best quality of salt should be used in the proportion of fifty pounds to a barrel. If a little saltpeter is added, the pork will harden and assume a reddish tint. The parts destined for hams or bacon should be salted by themselves. This curing should be sufficient to season them only, as too much salt is used the flavor is affected. To make a pickle for 100 pounds of ham or bacon take four gallons of water, six pounds of salt, two and a half ounces of granulated sugar. Boil, skim and use when cold. For dry salting the proportions are a pound of brown sugar to four pounds of salt. The hams should be rubbed daily for ten days with the preparation, after which they are ready for smoking.

**How Too Much Farming is Done.**

Farming has to be learned like any other business, and that is where people make a great mistake says D. K. in New York World. A man who has failed to make a success in the city retires to the country, buys or rents a farm and sets to work to run it in utter ignorance of the fundamental principles of the calling he has adopted. The same man would laugh at any one who bought a book expecting to read it without having learned his alphabet. Yet he does precisely the same thing. The A-B-C's of farming have to be mastered thoroughly, and for that, manual and practical are necessary. The ignorant cannot succeed. This is the lesson we need to learn.

In Europe land is rented only to those who are known to be experienced farmers and certain regulations are laid down to prevent the exhaustion of the soil. That is the reason why we do not hear there of worn-out farms, though the land has been under cultivation for centuries. The fertility of the soil has been preserved by means of a regular rotation of crops and by keeping of a liberal amount of stock. The latter point is the one most neglected in this country. The purchaser of a farm in America is apt to spend his last dollar in increasing the amount of his land, so that he is left without the means to stock it. This is the worst blunder he could possibly make. It would be far better to rent the land and own the stock. Old country farmers have learned this by experience and that is the reason why they are generally successful when they come here. The area of their farms is usually smaller than that of the Americans, but they have more stock and is better handled.

There is no royal road to farming any more than there is to any other business. It has to be studied. This is the point on which Americans err. They imagine they will get along so, show. It is different abroad. A few years ago the country was horrified by the murder in Chicago of an Englishman named Preter. The murderer was the man whom he had paid to instruct him in practical farming. The crime called attention to the fact that foreigners consider this calling one to be learned like law or medicine. Now, while Americans are admitted to be cleverer than other nations, we are not quite heaven-born geniuses, and until we are willing to serve our apprenticeship we shall continue to hear of worn-out farms and broken-down farmers.

**Small Fruit Farming.**  
To make a specialty of small fruits is to use less land, give the best of cultivation, and apply manure and fertilizers liberally. Instances have been known where as much as \$1,000

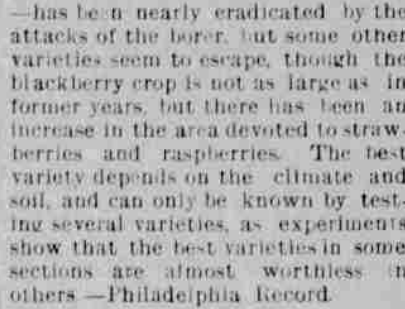
per acre have been secured from one acre of strawberries, but such results are an exception. In this section the experienced growers do not wait until the season opens, but begin to work as soon as the condition of the ground permits. If manure is to be used, nothing that is coarse is placed on the ground, only the finest and most perfectly rotted material being used. If fertilizers are resorted to they are used before the young plants begin to shoot out, and, if possible, the rows are cultivated, the object being to have the plant food within reach of the young plants at a time when they need it most.

In order to give the young plants a start the land is made rich and they are transplanted as early as possible, so as to give them the advantages of the spring rains. A dry spell not only interferes with their growth, but cuts the crop from the old bed shoot. The greatest enemy of the strawberry is the weeds. It is easy enough to keep them down between the rows and if the bed is matted in a wide row hand pull must be resorted to, but if the young plants are well worked the first year, and the space between each plant kept clean, the weeds can be kept down so as to protect the matted rows the second year. The young plants may be put out in rows wide enough to permit of horse culture, and should be a foot apart in the rows. Later in the season they will throw out runners, which will cover every square inch of space in the rows. The plants that are set out this spring will bear a full crop next spring.

Raspberries and blackberries will soon fill up the space between the plants, and plenty of room, therefore, should be allowed them. Once established they will remain for years, and if the plants are so arranged in the rows as to permit of the check-row system of cultivation a great saving of labor will be effected. The best market blackberry—the Wilson—has been nearly eradicated by the attacks of the borer, but some other varieties seem to escape, though the blackberry crop is not as large as in former years, but there has been an increase in the area devoted to strawberries and raspberries. The best variety depends on the climate and soil, and can only be known by testing several varieties, as experiments show that the best varieties in some sections are almost worthless in others—Philadelphia Record.

**A Balanced Wheelbarrow.**

The wheelbarrow plays no small part in the making and the after care of the ordinary garden, but it has its imitations and its disadvantages, one of the latter being the severe strain upon the muscles when wheeling a full load, since the person between the handles must lift from a quarter to a third of the whole load in addition to propelling the wheel. A barrow having two wheels is shown in the illustration, engraved after a sketch in the American Agriculturist, on which the load may be almost perfectly balanced, leaving the one using it little more to do than to move it forward. It has removable end boards at either end, and can be dumped from the rear. The drop axle here figured may be used, or small wheels with the ends of the axle bent in exactly the opposite direction. The wheels may be of a width to run on each side of a garden row.



TWO-WHEELED GARDEN BARROW.

**One Advantage of Farm Life.**

The families of farmers certainly know more of comfort, this winter than those who depend upon day's wages or salaries. The hard-mouth existence works well when there is a steady inflow of money, but when Saturday night no longer brings the usual dollars there inevitably comes a time of pinching if not of actual suffering. A roof, a fire, and always enough to eat, without continuous worry lest the supply give out, make farm life seem one of comfort and plenty. The farmer's wife may not always see much money, neither does she constantly spend it; she does not begin to get dinner by first looking to her purse, for there is always something ready to be cooked.—Grange Homes.

**Dairy Notes.**

A regular routine in dairymen is one of the essentials. The man who thinks he has arrived at a state of perfection is very far from it.

This routine should not be an unchangeable one, but one subject to improvements. All dairymen can't use the same methods because conditions vary on different farms.

Progressive dairymen are ready to try new things; if they prove to be better than the old ones they adopt them.

The dairy profession is constantly on the move; it doesn't follow the same route year after year but tries new ones.

Sometimes the new ones are rough and uneven, but if they are shorter than the old ones it may pay, after a careful study of the situation, to make them smooth.

The man who finds the silo a very profitable investment should not call the man who doesn't build a silo an "old timer" from that fact alone; it is not every dairyman who can find profit in the silo.

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**Countess—**Then you alone were left.  
**Baron—**Yes, although my horse was shot under me.  
**Countess—**But did you not say the same horse?  
**Baron—**Ah, beg your pardon. I meant to say the horse was left—it was I who was shot!—Unterhaltungsblatt.

Probably the first Chinese woman in this country to wish to qualify herself as a nurse and doctor is Cy Yoke of San Francisco. When a baby she was sold by her parents in China to highlanders, and by them brought to the United States, she was early taken charge of by the Methodist mission, was raised and educated at a mission home, and has for the past three years supported herself by nursing among the Chinese. She feels so keenly her lack of knowledge in her chosen work that she is desirous of studying first in a nurses' training school and afterwards at a medical college. The chief difficulty in her way is the opposition of the other pupils in the nurses' school some of whom object to having a Chinese girl room with them, eat with them, and meet them on a plane of equality. The final decision in the matter rests with the board of lady managers.

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Ice 1 1/2 feet thick is strong enough to support a railway train.

The usual treatment of catarrh is very unsatisfactory, as thousands can testify. Proper local treatment is positively necessary to success, but many, if not most, of the remedies in general use, afford but temporary relief. A cure certainly cannot be expected from snuff-powders, douches and washes. Ely's Cream Salve, which is so highly commended, is a remedy which combines the important requisites of quick action, specific curative power with perfect safety and pleasantness to the patient.

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See "Colchester's Spading Boot" Ad. in other column.

The English language contains forty-one distinct sounds.

**Pen and Charles Second.**  
Charles the second for whom the earl of Rochester made this epiphany: "Never said a foolish thing and never did a wise one," could convey a reproach with wit and gentleness. When Penn stood before him, with his hat on, the king took off his own. "Friend Charles," "why dost thou not put on thy hat?" "Tis the custom of this place," returned the king, "that never more than one person should be covered at one time."

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