# FARM DEPARTMENT.

Plant herbs on one side of the garden where they need not be disturbed.

If liquid manure is used for watering plants, dilute one half with water. Calves if to be raised by hand, need particular care from the start, if they or grit. make a good growth.

It is the safest, wisest and most economical plan for the farmer to grow and kill his own meat

One of the most important requisites in keeping cattle for profit, is to keep the right kind of cattle.

Delay in feeding at the regular time, causes the hog to become uneasy and restless if he does not put in the time squealing.

Hogs that are fed a good variety of food, supplied with pure water, and given warm, dry shelter, will not gen-

In many cases if farmers knew the feeding value of different foods, stock could often be put on the market at a better profit.

By planting in long straight rows ducts. and using the garden cultivator, the work of giving clean cultivation may

be greatly reduced. One of the principal reasons for trees only bearing every other is that they exhaust themselves by over-bearing and it requires a year to recuperate.

If a young tree is growing very fast it will be best head back half its yearly mutton should be got out of it. growth, for trees that, grows so rapidly are apt to get bark-bound and split open; they blossom, but rarely bear fruit, as the blossoms fall off. To make such cutting back most effective it should be done when the trees are in full leaf.

After a fair trial, the bush lima bean has certainly come to stay.

It is very difficult if not impossible under present conditions, to feed a stunted calf with profit.

With fruits it is rarely a good plan to plant standard varieties.

Properly managed, a fruit farm ought to be made readily profitable in a grain

or dairy section. Because a sow farrows a small litter she will do the next.

Because a hungry pig will eat almost any kind of slop that is given them is

not a sign that it is good for them, The forcing systems, if not carried too far, will produce more pounds, for a given amount of feed than the gradual systems.

The superior animals are an example of what can be done, and should be a

The peach and plum are nearly enough related so that one can be successfully budded on the other. Peach ing, but the prevalence of yellows may make it advisable to bud the peach on plum stocks. This is especially recommended for places where the soil is too heavy for successful growing of the peach on its own roots.-American Cultivator.

## Home Hints.

Iron or block tin plates are the best for baking pastry.

To starch shirt-bosoms and cuffs, rub into both sides of the linen as much hot starch as it will take. When dried, add cold starch for the gloss Dissolve a quarter ounce of gum arabic in a pint of hot water, strain and let it cool. Add gradually one ounce of fine raw starch and the white of one egg. Apply with sponge or rag to the outside of the linen. Roll up in a cloth, and iron, without sprinkling, in one hour. You can apply a little hot water with a cloth just in the track where your iron is to go if the starch has dried too quickly.

Putting a flax seed under the lid of the eye to get out a cinder chich has off my whole foot. Don't you think so? accidentally lodged there may seem a curious method of abolishing a nuisance, but is nevertheless quite effective. After the seed has been moistened by the secretions of the eye, it exudes a mucilage, which not only alleviates the irritation of a foreign body, but also frequently surrounds it and prevents "You wear glasses; are your eyes weak? pain from the motion of the eyeball against the cinder, and ultimately assists in its removal.

A piece of cheese-cloth squeezed out in vinegar and wrapped around Swiss cheeses except cream cheeses can be kept from spoiling by putting them on a thick layer of powdered charcoal and! covering with charcoal the top also Cheese should be kept under glass or in tin or earthenware, not in wood.

When doing housework if your hands become chapped or red, mix corn meal and vinegar into a stiff past e and apply to the hands two or three times a day after washing them in hot water, then let them dry without wiping and rub with glycerine. At night use cold cream and wear gloves.

' To make a mustard plaster young children mix one teas tard and three of wheat flour, with to the consistency of a stiff but and apply between soft must be. For adults: one part of m tage and two of flour.

Pullets that are just beginning to lay are not good setters.

Extra large or odd-shapped eggs should not be used for hatching.

Fasten a small box to the side of the house to hold oyster shells, ground bone

At no time is it desirable to feed need more bulky food.

One advantage with ducks about the yard and garden is that they do not scratch, although they are voracious eaters.

### Sheep Shearings.

for sheep. It is easier to count the profits than to make them.

Sheep ought to g t into a good condition rapidly on pasture.

For mutton the butcher seeks a car-

cass that is round and smooth. Put enough good blood in the sheep to get the best returns from their pro-

Ewes that brings no lambs and wethers are the least profitable sheep to keep.

Farming in which sheep do not figure, is lacking in a good means of keeping up fertility.

Whatever the breed is, profit requires that the greatest amount of

Sheep eat closer than cattle and will seriously injure the grass plants, if proper care is not taken.

## Eggs for Hatching.

To have something in your columns from Filmore county, Minnesota, I send ary exertion, either of boly or mind. you poultry notes. It is best, to get your hens setting as early in the spring as possible. Not too early to chill the rules should be followed in selecting in her bust and waist measure. eggs for hatching. Have the eggs of risk seedlings, the better plan is to normal size and uniform, avoiding with a male of your selection, and collect the eggs several times a day, dur- among whom one hundred and fifty the coals. ing very cold weather, in order to avoid years ago a dark-haired person was the first time, is no criterion of what having them become chilled. Wash the eggs and free them from dirt, before placing them in the nest, and make the nest warm and have it in a warm, and secluded place -J. W. in Western Rural

## Providing Water for Ducks.

Ducks that are kept in yards where beautiful workmanship, are found. there are no ponds, need a large quantity of water. The troughs should be very large, so as to allow several buckstrong incentive for others to improve etfull of water to be poured in, or the work of filling smaller troughs frequently will entail too much labor. Ducks not only drink water freely, but they waste a large portion by throwing stocks have no advantage worth notyou can provide water with but little difficulty.

## A Lucky Man.

A man with a long pennyroyal beard was seen to cross Washington street and creep under a little ladder that rested against a lamp-post says the Boston Herald. Being asked why he did, he replied: "Just to show superstitious people the fallacy of their belief. I always open my umbrella before going out, and never look at the hem-stitched border, a full bodice of moon over my right shoulder. I have broken every looking-glass in my house belong to the Thirteen club, and make my wife drop the dish-cloth every time she cleans up the table crockery." complain of," "What's the matter ed. with your foot? You appear to be "I knocked my big-toe nail off the other day while chopping kindling wood. But I was luky in not cutting "I see you have two fingers gone from your left hand." "Yes, I got them too near a buzz saw about ten years ago, but I was mighty lucky in saving my arm. The saw was humming at the time, and it would have taken off my arm as easily as it took off my fingers." "They are a trifle lame, yes. I had probably the best pair of eyes in all Coos county when a young man, but, unfortunately, one day I was fooling with a powder flash and the darned cheeses will preserve them; and all thing blew up. But by a stroke of good luck I saved my eyesight, though somewhat impaired."

> "I notice a bend in your back. Were you born so?" "Not by any means. A few years ago I was as straight as an iron column, but one day I attempted to get aboard of a train that had started issed my footing, and fell between the cars and the depot platform. My back got a terrible wrench, and at one time it was believed that I was lajured for life. I came out of it pretty well, however, and every day I thank my dresses they are looped up on the luky stars that I did not go under the shoulders with bows of satin ribbon to left ear?" "A big buildog chewed shat out when I was only 13 years old. It yellow and lilac, being reserved for was a protty bed affair, but I'm terns tion glad I didn't die from hydrophobia," and the lucky man continued his

The more serviceable parasols are in the dark shades.

A beautiful parasol in lavender has the silk top trimmed in points with a lace ruche of a paler shade.

Ruffles and puffs, ribbon and loce and flowers, all from the chief attract- service. A deep pitfall would be poultry an exclusive grain diet; they ions in the way of ornamenting the digged. In the center of it there was new sunshades.

> out method or reason, but with all they but only seeing the lamb would plunge are very stylish and look real chic.

the top. A large silk tassel or bunch in olden time had two missions, one to Good clover makes the best pasture of ribbon gives a pretty finish to the clear the land of ferocious beasts and holiday. stick. Some girls who greatly love flowers

would put a small bunch of buttercups or voilets (artificial, of course) here and there, all around in the chiffon puff on the handle and mingle a few in with the resette on top. A very handsome parasol of red

gauze. The trimmings consisted of a and on the top at the center. It has a black stick resembling a genteman's walking stick.

but two good talkers never.

Of the landowners in Great Britin. one in every seven is a woman.

Who pays the highest price for a home? The woman who marries for A forty winks nap" lying down is

the best preparative for any extraordin-It is said that the average height of the American weman has in the last

doll may eventually come to life and necessary in order to make a man harm their children, and they therefore active and enterprising. Mountaineers prevent their use. The girls, however, are nearly always swarthy, and those play with cushions and pieces of wood who have toiled among mountains of instead. In Siberia and Artic Amer- trouble get most nerve and muscle ica, ivory dolls, clothed in furs, of and brain. Those who have become

Shoulder Capes. Capes of cloth are trimmed with lace -black, ecru, or white-set on a shoulder-cape or a collarette, or else applied have been fondled of fortune and flatly to show the design, and richly petted and praise i have often grown ornamented with jet. All height on up the lethargic. They have none of went to the devout women of his time the shoulders has disappeared for great that heroism which comes from fighting and expressed his doubts. They said breadth given by full frills of lace, or one's own battles. The warm summer they were sorry, but they had no time inevitable Watteau fold forms part of relaxed them. Born among the luxmany capes, and in one instance this broad fold is in the front as well as the sary, and, therefore, they spend their back. Shorter capes are demanded by young ladies, and are imported in vel vet with cloth lining and hood, or else for its application, for its hardships, in very light cloth with vestlike front of mousseline desoie.

Velvet and ribbon trimmings are used upon many of the pretty wash dresses which are made with a deep white tinted chambray, and a zouave jacket with bishop sleeves.

Purses are now being made with little detective cameras in them, probably terprise excited the remark of all comwith a view of taking the thief who "Are you a lucky man?" "I get a few takes the pocketbook However, as caraway seed in my beard once in a there is no provision for pockets in the while, but upon the whole have little to new gowns, the thieves may be thwart-

> The newest thing in scents consists of smelling salts perfumed with the scent of different flowers-roses, carnations, violets, lilacs, etc. The salts are their heads where once they walked the color of the flowers with which they are scented and are put up in hand- eyes. They become misantropic and some bottles.

> The "Yashmak" is the name of the new 'Oriental," or mask, veil, so dense in its meshes at the top that the features are almost obliterated as far as the nose. The more transparent lower half of the veil however, permits for rogues never get discouraged, as the mouth and chin to be visible.

Many of the white veils have borders of black lace in applique. Black lace veils are pretty with the pattern border worked in jet, which also makes the arge veil fall gracefully.

Gowns of English gray corded silk. with draperies of softest gray India cashmere, trimmed with cream white velvet arabesques overlaid with cut steel, are elegant in appearance.

Veils for large hats are very long and wide and draped into festoons around the brim.

Young girls are wearing white guipure lace pelerines over their dresses and cloaks. When worn over "How came that nick in your match the dress or the long satin sash at the back, vieux rose. green or blue, married women. These lace pelerines, over soft wollen material of light s, make pretty costumes for wed-

# One rooster and ten hens are enough AFFAIRS OF WOMEN. TALMAGE'S SERMON. or breeding.

His text was, Prov. xii., 27: "The slothful man roasteth not that which

to took in hunting." David, and Jeremiah, and Ezekeil, and Meah, Solomon, of the text showed that some time they had been out on a hunting expedition Spears, lances swords and nets were employed in this some raised ground with a pole on for its prey and cash down, itself Make a large rosette of chiffon and captured. Hirds were caught in gins, or pierced with arrows. The hunters and families. The occupation and lence? A marked consequence of this

Furthermore, indolence is often a result of easy circumstances. Rough The women of Bagdad believe that a experience in earlier life seems to be the belivers of nations once had no where to lay their heads. Locusts and wild honey have been the fare of many a John the Baptist, while those who uries of life, exertion has been unnecstime in taking it easy. They may for its repulses, and after having lost the most of that which they have invested, go back to thorough inaction. This costly yacht may do well enough on the smoothe glass bay, but cannot live an hour amid a chopped

> Another cause of indolence is severe discouragement. There are those around us who started life with the most sanguine expectation. There enpeers. But some sudden and overwhelming misfortune met them, and henceforth they have been inactive. Trouble, instead of making them more determined, has overthrown them. They have lost all self-reliance. They imagine that all men and all occurrence are against them. They hang upright, They never look you in the pronounces all men liars and scoundrels their graves. You cannot rouse them to action by the most glittering offer. In most cases these persons have been honorable and upright all their lives, there is always some other plot they have not laid and some other trap they have not sprung. There are but few sadder sights than a man of talent and tact and undoubted capacity giving up life as a failure, like a line of magnificent steamers rotting against wharves, from which they ought to have been carrying the exportations of a nation. Every great financial panie produces a large crop of such men. In the great establishments, where they were partners in business, they are now weighers or dray men or clerks on small salary. Again, bad habits are a fruitful

source of indolence. Sinful indulgences shut up a man's shop and dulls his tools and steals his profits. Dissoluteness is generally the end of industry are those who have the rare faculty of devoting occasionally a day or week to loose indesigences, and, at the expiration of that time, go back with bleared eyes and tremulous hands and bloated seeks to the faithful and successful performance of their duties. Indeed, their em-

amusement or occasional senson of in the doorgand a frolic and wassail. Some of the best brought down abworkmen and most skilful artisans ing pursuit in the have this mode of conducting them- their door sill und selves, but, as the time rolls on the season of dissipation becomes more They roust not protracted and the season of steadiness hunting and sobriety more limited, until the captured employers become disgusted and the came in invitibile man is given up to a continuous and plover and quality and rainous idleness. When that point over a hunter's sie has arrived he rushes to destruction thing worse the with astonishing velocity. When a Agrippa when also man with wrong proclivities of appetite a thristian has nothing to do, no former self-re- man who went aver cooked sticks, twisted apparently with- the wild beast not seeing the pitfall, spect or moral restraint, or the be-The only safety for a man who feels skies full of wingelos himself under the fascination of any profit them notes form of temptation is an employment which affords neither recreation nor ing. Oh, make Now, what are the results of indo-

habit of hunters are a favorite Bible vice is physical disease. The healthismile David said he was hunted by ness of the whole natural world dehis enemy like a partridge upon the pend upon activity. The winds, tossed mountain. My text is a hunting scene, and driven in endless ciruits, scatte:-A sportsman arrayed in a garb ing the mists from the mountains and appropriate to the wild chase lets slip scooping out death damps from the the blood-thirsty hounds from their caves and blasting the miasma of twilled silk and trimmed with black kennels and mounting his fleet horse swamps and hurling back the fetid atwith a halloo and the yell of the grey- mosphere of great cities, are healthy full puff of gauge all around the edge hound pack, they are off and away, just because of their swiftness and unthrough brake and dell, over marsh and controllableness of sweep. But, after a moor, across chasm where a misstep while, the wind falls and the hot sun would hard horse and rider to death, pours through it, and when the leaves plunging into a mire up to the haun- are still and the grain fields bend not Two good listeners may be friends, ones or into swift streams up to the once all day long, then pestilence smites bit, till the game is tracked by dripping lits victims and digs trenches for the foam and blood, and the antiers crack dead. The fountain, born far up in on the rocks' and the hunter has just the wild wood of the mountain, comes time to be in at death. Yet after all down brighter for every obstacle the haste and peril of the chase, my against which it is given and singing a text represents this sportsman as being new song on every shelf of rock over too indolent to dress the game and which it bounds, till it relis over the prepare it for food. He lets it lie in water wheels in the valley, not ashamed the dooryard of his home and become to grind corn, and runs through the a portion for vermin and beaks of prey, long grass of the meadow, where the Thus by one master stroke, Solomon willows reach down to dip their gives a picture of laziness, when he branches and the unyoked oxen come two generations increased one inch, and says: 'The slothful man roasteth not at even-tide to cool, Healthy water: chickens when hatched. The following that the same increase has taken place that which he took in hunting." The Bright water! Happy water! While most of nunters have the game they some stream, too lazy any more to run, Fair-haired people are becoming less shot or entrapped cooked the same gathers itself into a wayside pool, numerous than formerly. The ancient evening or the next day, but not so where the swine wallow and filthy inlarge or small eggs. Aim to secure Jews were a fair-haired race, and now with this laggaid of the text. Too sects hop over the surface and reptiles eggs from certain hens, that are mated they are, with few exceptions, dark, lazy to rip off the hide. Too lazy to crawl among the coze, and frogs utter So it is in a lesser degree with the Irish kindle the fire, and put the girdiron on their hideous croak, and by day and she said: Thanky night there rises from the foul mire an excellent semin and green scum, fever and plague and death. There is an endless activity under foot and overhead.

Furthermore, notice that indolence endangers the soul. Satan makes his chief conquests over men who either have nothing to do, or, if they have, refuse to do it. There is a legand that St. Thomas, years after Christ's resurrection, began again to doubt, and he went to the apostles and told them about his doubts. Each apostle looked at him with surprise and then said he must be excused for he had no time to listen any longer. Then St. Thomas by bows of ribbon, choux, etc. The sun of prosperity has weakened and to listen. Then, St. Thomas concluded that the apostles and the devout women had no doubts. Idleness not only leads a man into associations which harm enter into business, but they are unfited morals, but often thrusts upon him the worst kind of scepticism. Loafers are almost always infidels, or fast getting to be. Consumate idlers never read the Bible, and, if they appear in church, can be distinguished in an audience of a thousand by their listlessness, for they are too lazy to hear, it is not so much among occupied merchants, industrious mechanics and professional men always busy that you hear the religion of Jesus maligned as in public lounging places, given up to profanity and dissoluteness. They have no sympathy with the book that says: "Let him that stole steal no more, but rather let him labor, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth." I never knew a man given up to thorough idleness that was converted. Simon and Andrew were con- best foot foremost verted while fishing and Lydia while selling purple, and the shepherds of on the outside to make Bethlehem watching their flocks heard thinkin' if ye want ! the voice of angles, and Gideon was best foot foremest. 1 They go melancholic and threadbare to threshing on the threshing floor, but no stockin' at all, seed one was ever converted with his hands like, an' some are in his pockets. "Ready! aye, ready! and yet when,

> interests dreadful as the judegmnt and solemn as eternity tremble in the balance, how few of us are willing to throw ourselves into the breach, crying "Ready! aye, ready!" Oh, I should like to see God arise for the defence of his own cause and the disenthralment of a world in bondage. How the fetters would snap and how the darkness would fly, and how the heaven would sing. You have never seen an army like that which God shall gather from the four winds of heaven to fight his battles. They shall cover every hill acris. Bay rum top and stretch through every valley tillation, and this and man the vessels of every sea. There shall neither be uproar, nor the trees and then wrath, nor smoke, nor bloodshed, they are placed in Harvests shall not lie waste in the then filled with with track, nor cities be consumed. Instead of the groans of captives shall come the sougs of those redeemed. But, my text is descriptive also of

those who hunt for opportunities, and, when they get them, do not use them. The rabbit they overcome by an early ployers and their neighbors expect this morning tramp lies for weeks uncooked

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