

USEFUL AND SUGGESTIVE.

Colts' hoofs should be pared occasionally, or injury will result.

Raw potatoes scraped and applied to burns are very soothing and healing.

Grain for eggs and soft foods for flesh is the conclusion in respect to profitable poultry keeping reached by Mr. L. Wright.

A grapevine that is overloaded with fruit should be thinned—a portion of the bunches removed, half of them, perhaps, or even more.

Pepper Sauce.—Take twenty-five peppers, without the seeds, cut them pretty fine, then take more than double the quantity of cabbage, cut like slaw, one root of horseradish, grated, a handful of salt, rather more than a tablespoonful of mustard-seed, a tablespoonful of cloves, the same of allspice, ground; simmer a sufficient quantity of vinegar to cover it, and pour over it, making it well through.

Pumpkin Pie.—Pare some pumpkin or "squash," stew it with very little water, drain it, mash it smoothly. To one pint of mashed pumpkin add two cups of sugar, four beaten eggs, a little salt, the grated peel of one lemon, a little essence of rose, one small tablespoonful of butter, one teaspoonful of mixed cinnamon and ginger; mix well, then add one quart of hot milk. Bake it in deep soup plates lined with paste, without any upper crust. Serve hot or cold.

Much injury has been done to fruit culture by the expressed dread some cultivators have of "too rank growth," and a consequent advice not to manure. A fruit tree never suffers from too much manure if the roots are healthy.

It has often been thought that the labor of securing field corn could be somewhat lessened by drawing to the yard adjacent to the barn, and by this method the husking and storing the fodder without the great waste attending the handling of dry, and brittle fodder would be avoided.

It is certain that the common school is the fountain from which the young farmer must drink a good share of the knowledge that he is to use in after life, and I only wish he might get the instruction there that will aid him in using the best implements which this advanced age of mechanics has made it possible for him to have at his disposal.

Water and Food for Horses. Horses and cattle normally require, in round numbers, four pounds of water for each pound of dry substance in the food, while sheep require but two pounds, or half as much.

With horses we find a different digestive arrangement—one that changes the conditions which were suitable for ruminants, to a very important extent.

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The progress that has been made in the perfection of the farm engine within the last five years is something wonderful. The great trouble which the threshing men first experienced in the application of steam as the motive power in threshing grain was the difficulty of moving the engine from place to place, especially in a hilly country, and on soft or uneven roads.

Traction farm engines are now made with a perfection of action little dreamed of ten years ago. They no longer require a large team to draw them, but move over ordinary roads with safety and ease.

There is one reason why the farm engine is not more rapidly introduced—namely, the lack of knowledge of the workings of a steam engine, and therefore the inability of the average farmer to run one at the outset, or at least to feel at ease when responsible for the proper working of an engine.

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A Sheep Story.

A boy was sent into the hold of the propeller City of Ludington yesterday with a lantern after some article, and quickly returned, very much frightened and pale as Hamlet's ghost, to inform the officers that somebody was down there, as he had heard a person moving cautiously about.

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