

THE HERALD.

THE OGDEN FARM EXPERIMENT.

The experiment in "High Farming" which has been in progress for the last ten years at "Ogden Farm," four miles from Newport, R. I., under the direction of the well-known agricultural writer Col. Geo. E. Waring, has been one of much interest, and from its successful lessons should be drawn. The plan, in brief, was to take the farm of 60 acres, claimed to be as poor and as much "run down" as any in the State, improve it thoroughly, manage it as well as possible for ten years, and then sell the entire establishment at public sale.

This result, however, is not unnatural, and could perhaps, have been safely predicted, and this without the slightest imputation on the knowledge and skill of the manager. There was some favorable things in the plan—abundant capital, a hearty enthusiasm on the part of Col. W., and much knowledge, from observation at least of what good farming is. There were, on the other hand, some heavy loads to carry. A very large sum was expended in drainage, in buildings, in manuring, etc., and ten years, in which all this was to be repaid from the sales from the farm, was not a sufficient time.

There were some changes of the original plan, and the farmer settled down to the breeding of Jersey cows, and the manufacture of "Gilt-edged" butter. The last has necessarily been subordinated to the first, so that the product has not been so large by one half, in Col. Waring's opinion, as it would have been if the cows had been kept with reference to butter making alone.

The butter has had a fine reputation; the first sales being at fifty cents, and the price being gradually advanced until it reached one dollar a pound, at which figure all regular sales have been made for five years past. Surplus butter has been sold for as low as 30 cents; but for the five years, the average net price for all sold has been 75 cents per pound.

After supper we asked the old lady if she intended to visit the hall, and she said she would like to look in, but her son said it was quite "impossible," as all the "tickets" were gone. We volunteered to procure the magic pastebord, and in due time we made a grand entrance, creating some sensation for the old lady had gotten herself up regardless of expense or appearance.

The dear old lady asked us to get her a glass of water. As we returned we passed the son and saw two red spots upon his cheeks, and his brow contracted in wrath. Our aged friend, stout as she was, seemed ready to sink, and asked to be taken to a hotel. We at once hastened to comply, although assured that she was not ill. But while waiting for the one available hack of Annapolis, we saw two huge tears well out from her dear old eyes and course their way down her then rather pale face, and noting our anxious look she said:

"Don't mind me; I'm a foolish old woman, and ought to have stayed at home; for my son is ashamed of his old mother."

We are justly proud of our navy. Her gallant sons have swung the eagles of the Republic too often in triumph through the smoke of battle not to have endeared them to the patriotic heart of the nation. But would it not be well to correct that one defect? It is not well to begin life in this way.

A prowling wolf espied a horse grazing in the field. "Ah," said he, "I prize that horse more than I do my own life, and I will not let an easy prey like a sheep. I must try some trick."

"That's my butcher," said an actor to a friend, at the same time pointing to a lean, cadaverous-looking man just passing. "Looks pretty bad, doesn't he?" "Does look bad," was the reply. "Looks as if you had dealt with him a long time, doesn't he?" The subject was immediately changed.

Weather Report for January 1878.

Mean temperature.....27.7. Lowest temperature on the 6th.....9. Highest temperature on the 9th.....54.4. Melted snow in inches.....1. No of snowy days.....2.

REPORT FOR JAN. 1ST, 1877.

Mean temperature.....20.2. Coldest temperature.....26.13. Lookout for the Eclipse of the moon on the 17th of this month. I saw the planet Mercury for the first time on the 5th near to Jupiter.

AUGUSTA, GA., Feb.—About 2 o'clock last evening this city was visited with a shower of hail, followed by a rain storm accompanied by thunder and lightning and a rumbling and tremor of the earthquake. This was followed a little later after 1 o'clock by a cyclone which struck the city on the southwest, near Centre street, and demolished a house. The lower market house was literally smashed into atoms.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 7.—Evening via Bontlay, Feb. 8.—In accordance with armistice conditions Russia will occupy Widin, Rostchuk, Silestra, Belgradjka and Erzeroum. Ambassadors of the powers are still ignorant of conditions of peace. Nedjeb Pasha, with twenty-seven battalions, has left for "Yalo." Accounts have been received here of deprivations committed by Russian troops in the houses of Muslims in Adrianople and neighborhood villages.

Ashtamed of His Mother.

We never attended exercises at West Point, writes Don Platt, but we did years ago run down to a ball at Annapolis. We happened to see a lady sit by a stout old party, possessed of a ruddy, motherly countenance. She was quite communicative, and soon told us that she was on her way to Annapolis to see her son "grad-i-ate," to use her own expression. We took charge of that good old lady, and she was so good, kind, sensible and motherly. We were present at the meeting between the mother and boy—a handsome, manly youth, one any mother could be proud of.

Mr. Blanchard Jerrold, in his volume just published in London, tells the conclusion of Louis Napoleon's courtship. It was at the New Year ball in 1833 that as the company were passing to the supper-room, Mademoiselle de Montijo and Madame Fortoul, wife of the Minister of Public Instruction, reached one of the doors together. Madame Fortoul, mastered by that jealousy of the fortunate lady which was general at court, rudely rebuked Mademoiselle de Montijo for attempting to take precedence of her.

An Insult that Caused a Royal Marriage.

The Paddy-Bird. A letter in one of the Calcutta papers describes a singular exhibition of the sagacity of the paddy-bird: Much has been said and written about the instinctive intelligence of certain birds, and I think I may safely claim a niche in the ornithological temple of fame for our friend, the well-known Indian paddy-bird.

How the Tides are Produced. There has always been a difficulty in the minds of teachers, as well as in the mind of learners to comprehend the theory of the tides as presented in our text books. This theory fails to give a satisfactory account of the cause of the tides on the side of the earth most remote from the sun and moon.

Comparative Duration of Animal Life.

The "Ephemeron" or day fly enjoys a short life and a merry one—it lives but a day and a night. Most of the insect creation live but a year, undergoing all their changes within that time. A dog will live about fourteen years. A horse in his natural state 30 years, but by bad management and abuse the domesticated horse does not live more than half this term.

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But the frog occasionally untombed from the solid rock or flint boulder, beats all for duration of life. With no possible effort or express request from the infant child, the frog was struck with the greatest dismay. His oath was binding upon him to put immediately to death any one who had spoken to the prisoner. But she confessed her love for him and pleaded piteously for her young life.

It is a long, it is really classical slang. And yet, of the thousands who use the term, how few—how very few—know its origin or its primitive significance. Truly, it is a heroic thing to say of a man to call him a brick.

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Advertisement for Fine Boots For \$5, featuring an illustration of a boot and the name ROBERT SHERWOOD.

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Advertisement for Wilson Sewing Machine, featuring an illustration of the machine and the text 'THE WORLD-RENOWNED WILSON SEWING MACHINE'.

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Advertisement for Essex Pigs, featuring an illustration of a pig and the text 'Six Distinct Importations'.

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