

### The Sunrise Never Failed us Yet.

**BY OLGA THEATER.**  
Upon the sunrise of the sun  
The sunniest hours especially  
From the far, lonely seas, slow  
Withdraws the wistful afterglow.  
No out of life the splendour dies;  
No dawn like the happy skies;  
No garden twilight, cold and stern,  
But overhead the planets burn.  
And up the east another day  
Shall chase the latter dark away;  
What though our eyes with tears be wet?  
The sunrise never failed us yet.

The blush of dawn may yet restore  
Our light and hope and joy once more.  
Sad soul, take comfort, for you know  
That sunrise never failed us yet!

### FARM, GARDEN AND HOUSEHOLD.

#### How to Obtain an Increase of Eggs.

In the first place, obtain fowls that are known to be good layers; or, in other words, some of the improved kinds. Such fowls are better layers than the common kinds; there may be individual or exceptional cases, but the rule holds good. A few of the better kind may be commenced with, and in a couple of years or so, the common stock may be got rid of. In the second place, it is not advisable to keep hens after they are two years old. Early pullets give the increase; it is not a little surprising that so many people persist in keeping old hens year after year, which only lay every other day. To be sure, exceptions may be made in the case of hens that are really representative fowls in size and other excellent characteristics which are especially desirable to raise good stock from, by mating them with a comparatively youthful cockerel. In some parts of France and elsewhere in Europe the rule is to keep the pullets only one year. Food has much to do in making young hens lay, but it is not often that any amount of care, or quality of food will make old hens lay oftener than every other day.

The main conditions, then, to secure the best results in the egg product of poultry, are good or improved breeds, young, healthy and vigorous fowls, cleanly quarters, proper food and enough light.

#### Cutting Back Young Trees.

We observe that mistakes are still made by some who set out young trees, and who are nevertheless aware of the importance of reducing the heads to correspond with the unavoidable reduction of the roots in taking up. The trees are set out, and the cutting back is put off till the new leaves are partly out. To do this then it will do more harm than good. If not permitted before the buds open, it should be entirely omitted. Growth is always checked by pruning when the leaves are opening or expanded. We have seen good trees nearly ruined in this way. If the operation is not already done, let all the roots and leaves remain, and make up for the neglect by keeping the surface of the soil for several feet about the tree constantly mellow, mulching with manure as hot weather approaches, and if the weather should be very hot and dry, daily showering the leaves, branches and stem. This showering should be regular, not occasional. There is a difference in different kinds of trees, as to the amount of injury caused by cutting back too late. Peach trees will withstand the effects of such treatment better than most kinds; apple trees not so well; cherry trees worst of all—we have seen them actually killed by it.—Country Gentleman.

### With regard to the manner of using Paris green, after trying every known method, I find the easiest, quickest, and safest way is to mix it with water, in the proportion of a table-spoonful of Paris green to a pint of water. I use a brush, or a swab made by tying a handful of fine corn-husks on the end of a stick two or three feet long. Take the paint in one hand and the brush in the other; give each hill a thorough sprinkling, stirring the water from the bottom of the pail occasionally, as the Paris green settles. Take two rows at a time. This is a man's work; but if he is spry he can go over a pretty good-sized potato-patch in a few days. For early varieties of potatoes one thorough sprinkling is sufficient, if the Paris green is good. As the water dries away it leaves the pure Paris green adhering fast to the plants, and a very small dose of it will turn up a potato-plant to dry. The sprinkling should be commenced just as soon as the young beetles or larvae make their appearance, and if they come again after one sprinkling, the work must be done over again. We kill squab-bugs in the same way. It is hard work? Of course it is; all work is hard.—John Rusticus in Rural New Yorker. Our Door-Yards and Highways. Of course it takes time and it takes some money to make a beautiful door-yard, but the outlay of either need not be very great. Trees grow readily everywhere, and the transplanting of young trees is no difficult or laborious matter. There is nothing so beautiful as a green velvet carpet on a front door-yard. There may very properly be beds of flowers here and there, to give color and variety, but in the home of Longfellow there is nothing to be seen in the premises around the house but trees and grass. These with little care will grow for everybody, and be daily sources of delight to all who enjoy shade at noon and a soft carpet to rest one's eyes and one's feet upon. There are a great many hard working farmers and farmers' wives who are anxious to pay off the mortgages on their homesteads to lay up a little for a rainy day, or to add to their acres, that they think they cannot afford to enjoy anything now; bye-and-bye they will take the comfort, but the habit of saving, of going without, of getting along without any outlay, grows strong every year, and when the time comes that they can well afford to live in tasteful ease their desire for it has failed, and their children inherit no ancestral tree, no vines that their father has planted. If one cannot afford to buy of the florist there are plenty of shrubs and ornamental climbers that may be found in the woods to beautify the unpromising cottage. But with cuttings of all sorts to be had sent by mail for a trifle, with any amount and variety of flower seeds furnished at five cents a paper, there is no excuse for barren, unsightly door-yards. Children accustomed to having flowers around them, soon learn how to take care of them, and delight in their culture, and a home adorned within and without with flowers is almost certain to be a happy one.—New York Tribune.

### Eighty Acres of Fossil Remains Near Silver Lake, Oregon.

SILVER LAKE, OREGON, May 8.—For several months past we have heard speak of a bonanza some thirty miles east of here, on the edge of the desert. Rufus Dillard, Jack Parton and Andrew Foster, stockmen, came in from there last Monday and brought in a large quantity of teeth and some large bones. I will give their description as near as I can recollect it. These bones are found in low volcanic sand ridges and alkali flats, and extend over a distance of four or five miles in length and about one mile in width. The bones can be found on top of the earth and sticking up through the drifting sands by the hundreds and thousands, from the size of a mouse upwards. My informants have no knowledge of what lies buried beneath the sand and alkali flats, and all the specimens were taken from the top of the ground. They say there is a small alkali pond at the edge of the small deposit of the petrified bones, and over an area of about eighty acres those large bones lie on the ground. The largest bone measures thirty inches in length, with no sign of the knuckle on either end, and from the shape of the ends we judge must have been twelve or fourteen inches longer. It is perfectly straight and nearly round in the middle. The circumference of the large end is sixteen inches, and the smaller is twelve and one-half inches. The next one is slightly curved and rather flat, and has two knuckles on the upper end. We judge it to be in length, straight across from tip to tip, twenty-two inches; around the curve twenty-eight inches. This bone is as perfect as it ever was, and it is petrified. Now comes the nicest fossil of the whole, a part of the under jawbone, thirteen inches long, six inches wide at the widest end, and four inches at the other. One side of the bone has been split off and shows six perfect teeth, firmly set in the jaw and beautifully petrified. They measure across one and one-fourth by one inch. There is another tooth, though a jaw tooth, that measures two and one-half inches one way, that has been split open; I could not get the size the other way. It is five and one-half inches long. Now comes one of the strangest of this strange bone deposit. Vast quantities of stone arrow heads, such as were used by Indians, are found through these bones. It looks as though these animals were surrounded by water, or perhaps got poisoned by the thousands; and then some chemical properties in the water or ground petrified them. There are thousands of bones that are not petrified.—From the San Francisco Chronicle.

### ITERS OF INTEREST.

There is a rage for walking cases in Paris. Some dandies have as many as twenty.

The English Quakers have become reduced to about 17,000 persons, from 60,000 a century ago.

The quack doctors of New Hampshire, including all sorts of irregular practitioners, are preparing a petition to the Legislature to remove all restrictions from the practice of medicine.

The emigration to this country from Russia, last year, amounted to 5,950 individuals—nearly 3,000 more than the previous year.

### KNOWLEDGE IS POWER.

This is a nation of enlightened freemen. Education is the corner-stone and foundation of every republic. It is the power that think and act for themselves, and that they may not be misled by the demagogue and the public gamester. Upon the health of the people is based the prosperity of a nation, by its every value is increased, every joy enhanced. Health is essential to the accomplishment of every purpose; while sickness thwarts the best intentions and loathes aims. Unto us are committed the health, trust, which we hold not merely in our own behalf but for the benefit of others. In order that we may be able to discharge the obligation of our trust we feel that it is necessary that we study the art of preserving health and prolonging life. It is of paramount importance to every one not only to understand the science, but the preservation of health, but also to know the remedies should be employed, and the prevention of the common diseases of life. Not the least, we would advise every man under all circumstances to attempt to be his own physician. We are not saying this from a vainly-learned knowledge of his system and the laws that govern it, that he may be prepared to take care of himself properly, and thereby prevent sickness and prolong life. In no text book will you find the subjects of physiology and hygiene, or the science of life and the art of preserving it. Our knowledge is not merely in our own hands, but it is in the hands of those who have been specially trained to take care of the sick and the aged, and who have been specially trained to take care of the sick and the aged, and who have been specially trained to take care of the sick and the aged.

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