

HOME, FARM AND GARDEN.

In planting your garden you can save much hard work by planting everything in drills as far as possible...

Stable manure to be used in the garden should be worked over and over again until it is thoroughly composted...

Caution is necessary, in using commercial fertilizers in the garden, that it is not brought in direct contact with the seed...

It is said by one who has tried it, that if you forget to put dried corn in water to soak all night, steaming it for two hours will soften it much more than boiling for the same length of time...

A correspondent says that young horses should never have shoes imposed upon them until it is well proved that they can not do without them.

Fish pie: Take off the skin, and remove the bones of any odds and ends of cold fish that may be possessed; add to this an equal weight of cold mashed potatoes...

To cure weak eyes bathe your eyes daily in salt water; not salt enough though to cause a smarting sensation.

Farming Made Profitable.

Farmers may be divided into two classes—those who raise good crops every year, through all the changes of the seasons; and those who fail, or partly succeed at best, when the summer is too wet, or too dry, or when the season opens late, or a cold summer follows...

Ask the last-mentioned class the following three questions, and observe how many will give a clear, decided affirmative answer:

- 1. Are your fields all thoroughly tilled, three feet deep, and two rods apart?
2. Have you secured help enough—or rather, have you occupied land small enough—to make a deep, mellow bed of finely pulverized soil before planting or sowing any crop?
3. Have you provided sufficient help to keep all hoed crops in clean, mellow tillage the season through, so that weeds cannot get above ground?

We are aware that a difficulty lies in your way—you desire, if possible, with scant help, to raise all you can this year, and with the hope that the season will prove favorable, will go over and cultivate as much ground as you can.

The farmer who has a thoroughly tilled farm, has entire control of it the season through. He can begin work as soon as the frost is out of the ground. He has plenty of time to sub-soil his land, and by repeated plowing and harrowing to reduce it to the condition of a garden.

Custard made in this way is delicious for the filling of a layer cake: Heat a coffee-cup of sweet milk in a bright tin basin, beat one egg very light, and beat with it until smooth...

Summer Sheep Husbandry.

Before turning the flock to pasture, each sheep should be well trimmed and lagged about the tail and rump, and the closer this is done the better.

A slight guide to the amount of pastureage required, it may be stated that about six sheep will eat as much as one cow, the proportion depending, of course, on the size of the sheep and cow.

Lambs may be weaned when from four to five months old. They and their mothers should be separated, and placed in lots out of sight of each other, and along with the young things should be put three or four wethers or ewes to keep them tame.

Just as long as wool-buyers discriminate against unwashed wool to the extent of one-third of the weight of a fleece, it will pay to wash the sheep, as the weight is not lessened to that extent in washing the wool.

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The Model Publisher.

Numerous requisite essentials may be laid down for the successful starting and establishing of a newspaper. The repeated failures we see in so many sections of the country are due frequently to a lack of observance of fundamental rules and principles.

An important point to be kept in view when contemplating the founding of a new journal is to secure an eligible position, well peopled, and, if possible, where there is no other paper published.

A sound policy is to start with sufficient capital to pay for your entire outfit of type, presses and paper, leaving sufficient working capital in the bank for wages and running expense.

Let your paper be of a good moral tone and of a strictly clean and pure sentiment. This rule should apply not only to the general reading matter, but to your advertising columns.

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Virginia Recruits.

The Republican party of Virginia, created and proclaimed by the Liberal-Condition Convention of Wednesday, sprung at once full-grown and full-armed into the political arena, ready for the combat.

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From Gayety to Grief.

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Treading the Downward Path.

Two old friends who had met for the first time in many years were discussing bygone days.

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CURE OF COLD ON THE LUNGS.

Letter from Cyrus W. Field, Jr. Several times this winter I have suffered from severe colds on my lungs.

EMINENT MEDICAL TESTIMONY.

Dr. J. M. ALCOCK'S POROUS PLASTER. I have used ALCOCK'S POROUS PLASTER in my practice with remarkable success, and found them peculiarly efficacious.

Weak Back, Rheumatism and all Local Pains are relieved and cured by ALCOCK'S POROUS PLASTER.

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He that takes a wife takes care.

He that takes a wife takes care, his wife doesn't catch him hugging the servant girl.—Detroit Post.

Don't You Do It.

Don't suffer any longer with the pains and aches of Rheumatism, which make life a burden to you. Relief, speedy and permanent, can be procured at the nearest drug-store, in the form of Kidney-Wort.

It takes a long time for a woman to get into the thirties, but when she does get there she stays.

A lady, who suffered from weakness peculiar to her sex, in writing to a friend, said: "I tried various kidney medicines, but only found myself growing worse."

HALF'S HONEY OF HOREHOUND AND TAR.

Checks cold and prevents bronchitis. Pike's toothache drops cure in one minute.

ONE DOESN'T NOTICE THAT A CAR WINDOW IS ANYTHING LIKE AN OYSTER UNTIL HE TRIES TO OPEN IT.

REPEATED REQUESTS have induced the proprietors of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to send by mail to various lady correspondents, large unmounted portraits of Mrs. Pinkham.

A CULINARY exchange tells "how to use cold boiled cabbage." An excellent way is to give it away to a beggar.

A Thing of Beauty.

The most brilliant shades possible, on all fabrics, are made by the Diamond Dyes. Unequalled for brilliancy and durability.

THE PRIS FIGHTER'S WIFE, when asked about her husband's business, replies that he is employed in a mill.

PAPILLON Skin Cure is a specific cure for all skin diseases.—Salt Rheum, Erysipelas, Rash, Inflammation, Itch, Bites, Irritation, Eczema, Ulcers, Cuts, Wounds, Burns or Scalds, and all Scrofulous Eruptions.

WHEN THE LEAVES BEGIN TO TURN—When the leaves begin to turn—who is studying his lesson.—Boston Post.

JAMES BRECHER, M.D., of Stoughton, Pa., says: "I have been using a 'Cough Balsam,' called Dr. Wm. Hall's Balsam for the Lungs, and in almost every case I have had entire success."

We hear occasionally of civil engineers, but how is it we never hear of civil brakemen?—Oil City Derrick.

FOR BRONCHIAL, ASTHMATIC AND PNEUMONIC COMPLAINTS, Brown's Brouchial Trochee is the most effective curative properties. Sold only in boxes. 25 cts.

A FLASH OF LIGHTNING has some striking characteristics.

PAPILLON Blood Cure is absolutely vegetable, a positive cure for diseases of the blood and liver. All druggists sell it.

CIVILITY IS DEAR TO EVERYBODY, and yet it costs nobody anything.

Mrs. E. FORBES, of Potsdam, N. Y., writes: "Samaritan Nervine cured my son of epilepsy."

The man who was ashamed to look his watch in the face probably got it on tick.

If afflicted with Sore Eyes, use Dr. Isaac Thompson's Eye Water. Druggists sell it. 25c.

When a man goes to the hair-dresser's in warm weather he takes a short cut.