

Preparing the Eggs for Easter

HOME-MADE Easter eggs frequently fail in effect because they are not properly prepared.

Look over each egg carefully to see that it is not cracked or all work is wasted, then wash off with warm water to remove soil. Put aside such eggs as are to be boiled hard and colored and in a separate mound put those with most perfect surface for painting or other decorations. Make very sure there is no mixing, as a broken raw egg is not pleasing.

Colored eggs can be made any tint with special dyes, or if these are unobtainable cheap ribbon can be boiled in a little water and the boiled egg submerged in it until the right tone is acquired.

The old-fashioned calico egg will be pleasing to this generation of youngsters. Tie each egg in a piece of cheap figured chintz of high color and it will leave its design on the egg when put in boiling water.

If you have nothing else for coloring boil the egg after tying up in the red skins of onions.

Quaint designs can be boiled into the egg by tracing figures on the shell of the raw egg with a hard tallow candle to make a white surface, then color the rest of the egg in dyed water.

When eggs are to be painted for place cards or caricatures, they need more careful treatment. Wipe the washed egg in powdered pumice to remove gloss of shell and make painting take better.

The blowing must be carefully done or the shell will crack. Prick both ends with a coarse needle. The hole should be just large enough to permit the contents being expelled. Too large an opening is disfiguring, besides making a crack more probable.

Put the egg to the mouth and blow gently at first, then hard and steadily until nothing more comes. Rinse with warm water and blow out several times again. Dry carefully so all water will run out.

To paint the egg trace the outlines with a hard pencil, then color with good water colors, as they dry most quickly. If the egg is to be filled with candy one hole may be made big enough to hold tiny candied drops. When the shell is filled paste the hole with thin paper.

Any one can paint some sort of face on an egg shell, and if further decorations in the way of hat, hair, or stock are added great delight will be given.

A girl with artistic ability can make fascinating place cards from egg shells in the forms of rabbits, owls, pigs, cupid heads, old ladies, or gay belles. These are pasted to flat cards on which a name or Easter greeting is written in gilt letters.

When the egg represents an entire figure the feet are painted on the card; when only the head, it can be set on a short tube to represent a neck, and this can be draped with stock or collar.

Use a good glue in pasting the eggs to the card, as paste or mucilage will not hold well.

Great fun for an Easter party is to supply the blank cards, blown egg shells, scissors, paints, and colored papers and set the guests to evolving their own egg ornaments. Prizes can be offered for the most successful.

EASTER STYLES ON THE RESERVATION.

Madam Bucket-of-Water, wife of Big Chief Standon-His-Head, has imported from Paris her spring costume, consisting of a hand-made coffee sack and a tube of ultra-marine blue from one of the leading studios.

Miss Sun-in-Her-Eyes, the bewitching daughter of Hog Bristle Pete, appeared in a new riding habit Tuesday. It is made of a blanket from a Pullman car, tied at the waist with barbwire.

Miss Moonlight-on-the-Mountain is wearing a fetching headdress composed of the tall feathers of the chicken that was mysteriously lost by one of the palefaces last week.

The modistes are getting in their spring stocks of paint. Economical women are buying it by the gallon, but those who wish variety of costume are taking several pint cans of different colors.

Among our young men much interest is manifested in the new dancing coat, consisting of a priming color of yellow ochre, over which is applied two coats of oxide of iron, with trimmings of Nile green.

The new phosphorescent paint for ghost-dance costumes is popular.

Glorious Easter Atmosphere.
Eternal life no longer signifies a mere continuance of being, but a noble expansion of human nature to fit conditions which surround and surpass the boundaries of our little earthly life. The Easter atmosphere is one of faith, hope and charity, with suggestions of a spring such as never yet bloomed upon earthly soil.—The Christian Register.

PLOWS ON DRY FARMS

Disk Found to Be Preferable to the Moldboard.

Implement is Frequently Used for Plowing Stubble Fields and Old Land Generally—Deep Tilling Machine Introduced.

In humid areas about the only kind of plow that is extensively used is the moldboard, but in dry areas that does not hold good. The disk plow has a place in these and the same is true of the deep-tilling machine. The moldboard plow is so well known and also its specific uses, that they need not be dwelt upon at this time.

The disk plow consists of one or more large disks set at an angle that will turn over the furrow slice, but less perfectly than the moldboard plow. It has been found preferable to the moldboard plow when under the following conditions: (1) In heavy clay soils that are hard to plow and that are more or less liable to become sticky. (2) In plowing land baked so hard with the sun that it is difficult to keep the moldboard plow in the soil. (3) In the first plowing of sage brush land when the brush is strong. (4) In plowing stony land which could not be plowed with the moldboard plow without much difficulty. The disk plow is frequently used when plowing stubble land and old land generally. It is lighter of draft than the moldboard plow. It does not bury grass or weeds so completely as the latter.

The deep-tilling machine is a plow with two disks. The one in front cuts down to a certain depth and turns the soil. The one in the rear cuts down more deeply and turns from a lower stratum, inverting it, in part at least, above the furrow slice first inverted. Among the advantages of this plow are the following: (1) It is light of draft relatively in proportion to the depth to which it will plow. (2) It may be used in plowing ground when it is so dry that it could not be plowed with the moldboard plow. (3) It makes it possible to plow the soil to any reasonable depth. (4) It aids materially in pulverizing the soil which it plows.

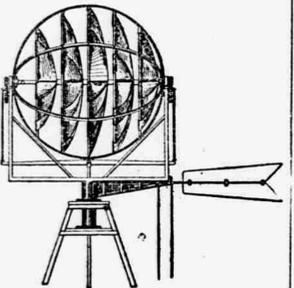
The deep-tilling machine is of too recent introduction to justify saying very much as to the exact place that it will fill in the "illage of dry areas. This much is certain, that it will fill an important place. The fact that it will enable the farmer to go down deeply into the soil without too great an expenditure of power is a great consideration, as deep plowing in dry areas is generally all-important. But the ability to plow deeply even in dry areas brings along with it the temptation to deepen the area that is cultivated at too rapid a rate. Deep plowing should be cautiously done. In some instances it does not matter much how deeply the plow is sent down, even at first. In other instances, to go down into the soil and bring much unreduced earth up to the surface would greatly hinder growth. This plow renders excellent service in killing quack grass. It buries it so deeply that it has but small chance of coming up again, providing an occasional disking follows. The only check on such deep plowing when killing quack is the effect that raw soil brought up from below may have upon production. In humid areas, where quack grass grows best, this machine ought to have a wide use for this purpose alone.

POWER HEAD FOR WINDMILL

One Invented by Montana Man Having Maximum Wind Pressure Surface—Regulated Automatically.

In describing a windmill invented by C. F. Craddock of Butte, Mont., the Scientific American says:

The accompanying illustration shows a side elevation of a windmill constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention. The principal objects in view in this case are: to provide a power head for a windmill disposed and arranged as a series of turbine-shaped rotating members; provides a power head having a maximum wind pressure surface disposed in proper relation to the wind, and having the maximum of exposed



surface when disposed in angular relation to the wind; and to provide regulating means for automatically varying the pressure under operative conditions.

Labor-Saving Lift.
One of the big lifts on the farm is the machine which elevates corn to the crib. A wagon load dumped into the box at one motion can be put into the crib in less time than three men can shovel it.

DRY FARM STOCK FATTENING

Monotony and Unattractiveness Removed by Diversity—Animals Are Essential Factor.

So far, the live stock fattening problem has been discussed only from the viewpoint of the dry farms needs, but the question has also another side. Not only does the dry farm need live stock, but the products of dry farms are needed for live stock fattening. Many dry farming sections are in close proximity to great ranching districts, which raise stock but cannot produce forage to finish it for market.

In the past it has been often necessary to transport range cattle great distances to feeding districts. If the dry farms in the vicinity of these ranches could supply the necessary products, it would simplify considerably the problem of preparing for market. This need of the products of the dry farm is especially true, since an increasing proportion of the world's production of grain will be necessary for human consumption.

Dry farms can be made more stable financially and more certain of permanence by the use of stock, and the live stock fattening problem can be simplified by dry farms. Let us now inquire into the effect of this combination on those who are to live on these farms. The average dry farm of the past has not been the most inviting place in the world to live. Meager accommodations both for man and beast have been the rule.

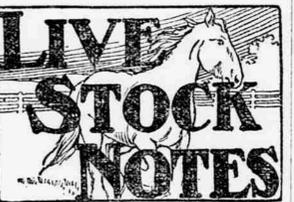
Under these conditions, life is bound to have much of monotony and but little of the diversity and attractiveness which a farm home should have. No great things can be expected from a country life of this type. If the dry farm is to be a desirable place of residence, it must have introduced in its life all the diversity possible. This diversity cannot well be had without live stock of some kind. Keeping in mind these various considerations, it becomes evident that the successful dry farm of the future will be one in which the live stock interests will be combined with crop production; and it seems probable that finishing for market will be one of the phases of the live stock industry which will be most benefited by the dry farm and from which the dry farm will profit most.

TO GUARD AGAINST DROUGHT

Farmers of Western Kansas Plant About Half of Their Milo and Kafir Crop Quite Thinly.

One form of insurance against drought is used by some successful farmers in western Kansas. They plant about half of their milo or kafir crop quite thinly each year. If a favorable season follows they get full yields on the area planted at the normal rate, and fair yields on the area thinly planted. If the season is dry, they get light yields or none on the area normally planted, but still get a fair yield from the feeding grain every year, with but a small loss in total yield in the good seasons.

As a matter of fact, if a farmer were to plant his entire area (thinly every year and thereby obtain fewer bushels in a five-year period than he would by normally planting, his thin planting might still be the most profitable. Large yields in favorable seasons and poor yields or no yields at all in unfavorable seasons mean selling a surplus at a low price and buying in times of scarcity at high prices. A yield of one hundred bushels per acre in five years at the rate of 20 bushels per acre every year might, therefore, be worth more to the grower than 145 bushels in five years, with a surplus in favorable seasons and a famine in the dry seasons.



Lack of attention to the teeth of the horses often cause large holes to appear in the oat bin without visible return.

A colt that is well summered and grain fed before being weaned in the fall suffers little setback when it is weaned.

Farmers with heavy steady work now generally try to secure draft horses even when farm work is the sole object.

Watch the bowels of both mare and colt, and if there are any indications of constipation give them more succulent food.

If the horses' legs begin to swell up while confined in the stalls during the winter, you will know it is due to lack of exercise.

The good flat knee, the muscular arms, the full muscular shoulders, the good hock, are all important points in the horse.

Look well to the shoeing at this time of the year, a few dollars spent may save your horse a broken leg and the killing of the animal.

Any work or exercise which produces severe strain on the muscles, especially of the hindquarters, is liable to cause abortion in mares.

Mares that are not heavy type nor bred to draft stallions are preferred by many for farm work, but not by those who count on their colts to pay their way at heavy work while growing into salable form.

MAKING A STAND.



Mrs. Longwed—So you are going away?

Mrs. Younghousekeeper—Yes. You see, we discharged the cook, and she's so cross about it that we've decided to live somewhere else until she gets good-natured or goes away herself.

"ECZEMA ITCHED SO BADLY I COULDN'T STAND IT."

"I suffered with eczema on my neck for about six months, beginning by little pimples breaking out. I kept scratching till the blood came. It kept getting worse, I couldn't sleep nights any more. It kept itching for about a month, then I went to a doctor and got some liquid to take. It seemed as if I was going to get better. The itching stopped for about three days, but when it started again, was even worse than before. The eczema itched so badly I couldn't stand it any more.

"I went to a doctor and he gave me some medicine, but didn't do any good. We have been having Cuticura Remedies in the house, so I decided to try them. I had been using Cuticura Soap, so I got me a box of Cuticura Ointment, and washed off the affected part with Cuticura Soap three times a day, and then put the Cuticura Ointment on. The first day I put it on, it relieved me of itching so I could sleep all that night. It took about a week, then I could see the scab come off. I kept the treatment up for three weeks, and my eczema was cured.

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His Preference.

A distinguished eye surgeon tells a good story of his hospital days. Three other young, newly fledged oculists and himself were chatting in their quarters in the hospital when the conversation turned, as was natural in young men, upon the beauty of different colors of eyes. One championed the superior brilliancy and sparkle of the blue eye; another the depth and fire of the brown, while the third was all for the clear, cool light of the hazel. After they had exhausted their eloquence, with the usual effect of confirming themselves in their original opinions, the fourth young sawbones suddenly broke in:

"I don't care a hang about your blue eyes, or your brown eyes, or your gray eyes! Just give me sore eyes and plenty of 'em—and I'll be happy!"

All in the Same Boat.

My aunt has a beautiful parrot which, like many others of its species, is addicted to profanity. To break the bird of this habit, my aunt would "duck" him in water every time he would swear. On an April day he had been profuse in profanity, and had received the accustomed ducking. Now, it happened that a brood of newly hatched chickens had been drenched in a shower of rain and auntie brought them into the house and placed them in the kitchen to dry, beneath the parrot, who was drying his feathers. He seemed much interested and gazed intently at the little chicks for some time, and then exclaimed: "D—n'd little fools; been swearing, too."

An Objection.

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You cannot experiment every time you make a cake or biscuits, or test the strength of your baking powder to find out how much of it you should use; yet with most baking powders you should do this, for they are put together so carelessly they are never uniform, the quality and strength varying with each can purchased.

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Such Is Life.

Dugan—Oh my, oh my! isn't Casey put'n on grand airs wid his new automobile? An' over in the old country I dare say he went barefuttled.

Ryan—Faith, not be his own accounts. He says he had a turnout over there that attracted great attention.

Dugan—Av course; an evicton always does.

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