

IGNORANCE IS BLISS.



Miss Oldgirl—What do you think of Fred proposing to me when he hasn't known me a week?

Miss Frank—I think that's the reason.

"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.

"My brother got his face burned with gun powder, and he used Cuticura Soap and Ointment. The people all thought he would have scars, but you can't see that he ever had his face burned. It was simply awful to look at before the Cuticura Remedies (Soap and Ointment) cured it." (Signed) Miss Elizabeth Gehrkil, Forest City, Ark., Oct. 16, 1910. Although Cuticura Soap and Ointment are sold by druggists and dealers everywhere, a sample of each, with 32-page book, will be mailed free on application to "Cuticura," Dept. 17, Boston.

Degenerated. Kid McCoy, the hero of 125 battles, is to open a sanitarium at Stamford. He said the other day to a New York reporter:

"I hope in my sanitarium to restore lots of grumpy middle-aged people to perfect health, and if I give them back perfect health I'll give them back youth and gaiety and romance. If middle age is stupid, if middle age is prosaic, it is only because the health of middle age is poor.

"The woman," he continued, "who sends her grumpy mate to my establishment will no longer have to make the bitter complaint of Mrs. Blank.

"My husband, 15 years ago, said Mrs. Blank, used to kiss me every time we passed through a tunnel. But now—

"She gave a bitter laugh. "Now," she said, "he takes a long pull at his traveling flask."

A Student of Humanity. Mrs. Carter and her cook, says the Brooklyn Citizen, were discussing the murder which had harrowed the dusky citizens of the countryside.

"Will dey hang him fer killin' of his wife, Miss 'Carter?"

"We can't tell yet, Aunt Janny. The court will decide. Of course, if they prove he did it on purpose—"

"Done it a purpose? Law, Miss 'Carter, in course he killt him wife a purpose? Honey, ain't I done been married? Don't I know men?"

It's human nature, but bad medicine to buck about the walk up hill after we've enjoyed a good long slide down.

SOUND SLEEP Can Easily Be Secured.

"Up to 2 years ago," a woman writes, "I was in the habit of using both tea and coffee regularly.

"I found that my health was beginning to fail, strange nervous attacks would come suddenly upon me, making me tremble so excessively that I could not do my work while they lasted; my sleep left me and I passed long nights in restless discomfort. I was filled with a nervous dread as to the future.

"A friend suggested that possibly tea and coffee were to blame, and I decided to give them up, and in casting about for a hot table beverage, which I felt was an absolute necessity, I was led by good fortune to try Postum.

PRACTICE OF HEAVY PRUNING

Much Theorizing Has Been Done on This Subject, but Little Knowledge Has Been Acquired.

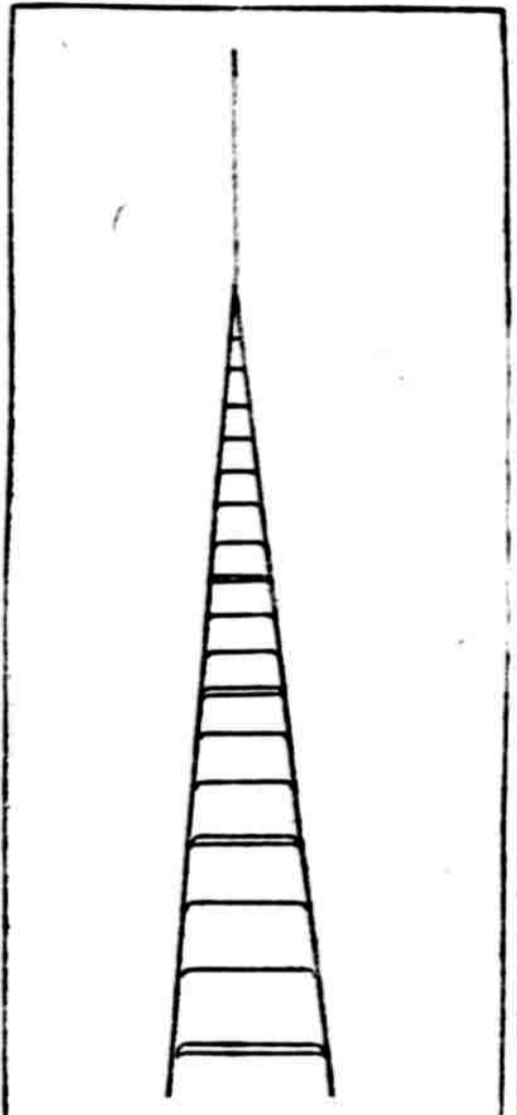
Much theorizing has been done on pruning, but comparatively little accurate knowledge has yet been acquired regarding the relative merit of the easy-going methods practiced with the so-called "natural" form of top and the more careful and heavier cutting followed in the base form and other repressive systems as practiced on the Pacific coast.

Many of the eastern orchardists have looked upon heavy pruning as close akin to murder, and we have as a result a large proportion of leggy and awkward trees in most of the older apple orchards, the bearing wood on which is high in the air and inaccessible both at spraying time and time of harvest, says a writer in an exchange. Such trees require close heading back, and sometimes even need to be "dehorned." Such heading back, which should preferably be done in the spring just before growth starts, need not be done in a single year, but whether done in one year or gradually through a series of years, it should not stop short of bringing the remodeled framework of the tree within convenient reach of the spray nozzle and the light picking ladder.

LIGHT LADDER FOR ORCHARD

Can Be Made of White Pine and When Placed in Fork of Limb There Is No Danger of Slipping.

The illustration is of a safety ladder for the benefit of fruit growers. Take 1 1/2 x 3-inch white pine clear of flaws for sides, and 1 x 3 for steps, as they are better to stand on than rounds; nail blocks for them to rest on, and to keep it from spreading put a small rod under every third step, or wire will do; double and twist it. Take a solid piece four feet long for the "snout," bolt this with two 1/2-inch bolts, with wedges to make it solid. This makes a much lighter and hand-

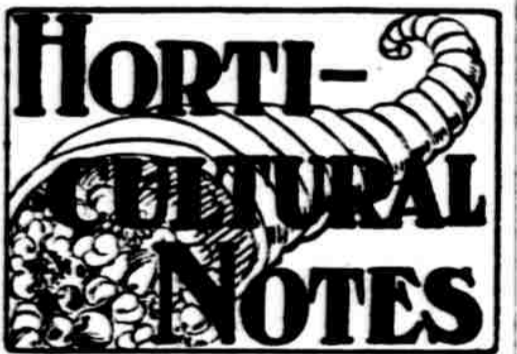


A Light Fruit Ladder.

dier ladder than the old straight one. Put the snout in the fork of a limb and there is no slipping or turning, nor knocking the fruit off. Use different lengths to suit the tree.

Protecting Tree Trunks.

The trunks of fruit trees may be wrapped with paper to protect them from mice and rabbits, the paper being tied on with a cord to hold it in place. Old newspapers may be used for the purpose, the care necessary being to see that the paper entirely covers the trunk of the tree high enough to prevent the rabbits reaching the exposed portion above the paper.



HORTICULTURAL NOTES

Apples should be carefully assorted. Grapes have been much neglected of late years.

Pear and peach trees will need thinning to save the trees. Do not take up the bulbs of the dahlias, gladioli and cannas until after frost.

The foolish man plants his orchard on low ground and the wise man seeks the hills.

Nothing grown on the farm pays better for the care bestowed upon it than the orchard.

Apples, pears, peaches, plums and cherries should be grown on every farm, large or small.

Do not place your fruit in competition with another by dividing shipments in any market.

The strawberry, like the cranberry and blueberry, prefers a sour soil and will do best in such a soil.

There are three processes of pruning a young apple tree; the formative, the directive and the corrective.

When a crop on a tree is too large for normal maturity, thinning is of value and should always be given. Whenever a large limb is saved from the tree the wound should be at once covered with wax or thick paint. As a rule sheep do no harm to the old orchard, but they should not be allowed to have access to the young trees.

NOTES From MEADOWBROOK FARM By William Pitt



Sows should be bred in trios.

Put the lambs out of the bearing of the ewes.

Never sacrifice a good mother or a prolific sow.

It costs no more to raise a good hog than a poor one.

Overcrowding is the cause of many deaths in the brooder.

Give plenty of oats or barley with some corn and good pasture.

Push the shoats and early spring pigs, and get them to market early.

To maintain normal soil fertility the supply of humus must be conserved.

The most expert judge cannot select a dairy bull by appearances alone.

Great care should be used in watering horses. A little and often is the best way.

There is no question that beef cattle relish silage just as well as dairy cattle do.

In grading up the chickens, only those that are most vigorous should be considered.

Early hatches do better than those brought off after the heat of the summer has begun.

A "cheap" harness is really about the most expensive thing on the farm, as it sometimes costs life.

Whatever material is used for bedding, it should be changed sufficiently often to insure cleanliness.

It is nearly always best to save some of the old sows, especially to farrow the early spring litters.

Sweet corn is one of the very best crops to grow to feed as a scilling crop to the dairy cows in summer.

Green fodder at the tail end of the summer is relished by the cows as ice cream is relished by the school children.

All ewe lambs that are not desirable to raise as breeders should be given extra feed and sent to the block early.

The dairy cannot be managed just right without the use of a thermometer—and it must be a good one, no 25 cent affair.

The ultimate end of the hog is pork and the quicker the growth to market maturity the more profit there is in it for the feeder.

Ensilage is not considered good for sheep and if it is fed at all it should be fed very sparingly and at intervals of two or three days.

At no time of the year is dairying more unpleasant work than during the time when pastures are short and the flies are troublesome.

A hen that runs to meat may lay steadily for a week in the spring and summer, and then go on a vacation for the balance of the year.

If the onions are not growing well, a little nitrate of soda or hen manure sown broadcast, before or during a rain often helps them to fill out.

Prune out old canes of raspberries and blackberries, and burn them. Thin the hills to three or four shoots. Cultivate, and add some manure to the soil.

Stirring and pouring the freshly drawn milk will reduce in part the peculiar odor present in quality and with more good butter on the market more is consumed.

After farrowing when the digestive system of the sow has reached a normal condition her ration should be gradually increased until she is getting all she can eat.

There is no animal that responds so quickly to good treatment and generous feeding as the pig. And none that will degenerate so rapidly if not cared for and poorly fed.

It is a mistake to treat the herd collectively.

The poultry house should be ventilated thoroughly.

Feed goes farther with a young animal than an older one.

The individual cow must be considered and reckoned with.

Wrap your butter in parchment paper and keep it in a cool place.

Shoats and bras make an excellent ration for sows that are suckling pigs.

You can hardly push pigs too fast, providing you use the right kind of food.

The cleaner the feed and feeding places, the better the quality of the pork in all.

Less grain is needed for fowls when bone and vegetables are fed in abundance.

Sheep do not drink much water, but what little there is drunk must be absolutely clean.

Aim to get the top price for the best, and if prices are cut, let it be for the cullings.

Chilled or long-laid eggs will not produce as strong chicks as fresh, well-cared-for eggs.

It is conducive to health to feed hogs when they can have the range of the pasture field.

The successful dairyman endeavors to raise all the feed needed for his cows on his own farm.

The dry season will emphasize still more strongly the need of preparing more food for the stock.

Turkey raisers find it profitable to buy Guinea fowls with the turkey flock. They act as police.

Feeding hay will have a tendency to increase rather than decrease the milk flow next winter.

The fleece of the ram should be dense, even in quality, and of a strong, clear white fiber throughout.

The farmer has not yet discovered a more efficient fertilizer and humus for the soil than animal manure.

There is nothing like silage to keep the dairy cow's appetite on edge throughout the long winter period.

The separator should be placed where the light is good. Working in a dark place is always a disadvantage.

Farmers will soon be feeding new hay and new grain. Change from the old to the new should be made gradually.

After the haying and harvesting is completed it is often desirable to change the sheep from the regular pasture.

The shortage in the hay crop in many sections makes the silo all the more needful. It is now the mainstay of the dairy.

There is only one time when a poultryman is justified in selling a good pullet, and that is when he is going out of business.

The hen is admitted to be one of the greatest financial factors in the country today, and she is also one of the most overworked.

Bacteria do not thrive in the cold but in heat only. If you keep your milk below 40 degrees the bacteria will have small chance.

Some good poultry men think by feeding sitting hens in the morning they are more apt to remain contentedly on their nests all day.

To secure the best results the speed of the separator must be uniform and up to the standard required for the make of the separator used.

Now is a good time to observe what was once the wet places on the farm where tile was laid and see how it compares with other parts of the field.

The cream should be cooled just as quickly as possible after separating this weather and it should be kept cool until it is delivered at the creamery.

Clover is rich in nitrogen, and it homogeneous soils it develops tubercles which attract nitrogen from the air where it is stored in inexhaustible quantities.

In large pastures the animals roam from one especially attractive patch of grass to another, traveling all over the field, and tramping down more than they eat.

WEAK, ILL AND MISERABLE.

How many people suffer from backache, headache and dizziness without realizing the cause? These symptoms of kidney trouble are too serious to neglect.

James C. Hardin, Weatherford, Texas, says: "My feet and limbs became numb and I had terrible pains through the small of my back. Kidney secretions caused untold annoyance by their frequency in passage and I began to think there was no hope for me. Doan's Kidney Pills cured me and I have not had the slightest trouble since."

"When Your Back is Lame, Remember the Name—DOAN'S." For sale by druggists and general storekeepers everywhere. Price 50c. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Red Cross Christmas Seals. A statement denying the recent reports about the abandonment of the Red Cross Christmas seal sale has been issued by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. The statement declares that not only will the sale be held this year, as in the past three years, but that it will be conducted on broader lines than ever before. The only order issued by the postoffice department which bears on the sale of Red Cross seals was sent out on July 1, and prohibits the use of the mails to letters and packages bearing non-postage stamps on the face, and also to any mail bearing seals which resemble postage stamps, if used either on the face or back. The Red Cross seal to be used this year has been submitted to the postoffice department and approved, and thus may be used, but only on the back of letters and packages. The design to be used this year depicts a pretty winter scene enclosed in a heavy red circle. The corners are white, thus giving the effect when affixed to a letter or a package of a round seal.

The Simple Life. Anna Maria Wilhelmia Pickering, in her "Memoirs," edited by her son, tells a Yorkshire incident which contains a great deal of human nature. Variety spices life; the plain is monotonous, until its extent entitles it to the name of prairie or desert, and it gains interest through vastness.

There was an old couple in the village whom I used often to go to see. One day, when I found them sitting, one on each side of the fire, the old man said to me:

"Well, I miss and me, we've been married night on 50 years, and we've never had one quarrel."

The old woman looked at me, with a twinkle in her eye, and said: "It war verie conscientious, but varie dool."—Youth's Companion.

Usual Thing. "Been taxing your eyes lately?" asked the oculist.

"Yes," said the patient: "I looked all through a newspaper of 144 pages which came through the mail to me bearing the words 'marked copy.'"

"No wonder your eyes smart!" "Oh, but that isn't the worst of it. I didn't find anything marked."—Buffalo Express.

Swiss Woman Preacher. Miss Gertrude von Petzold will probably be the first woman preacher in Switzerland, now that the synod of the cantons has decided that women may preach. She was formerly minister of the Free Christian church in Leicester, England, where she was born. She has also preached in this country.

Nipped in the Bud. "Until now I have never had to ask for a small loan."

"And until now I have never been obliged to refuse you."

Cole's Carbolic quickly relieves and cures burning, itching and torturing skin diseases. It instantly stops the pain of burns. Cures without scars. 25c and 50c by druggists. For free sample write to J. W. Cole & Co., Back River Falls, Wis.

Its Location. Little Brother—"Where's my fishin' pole gone to?"

Bigger Brother—"Slater's usin' it for a hatpin!"—Puck.

BEAUTIFUL POST CARDS FREE. Send 10c. to W. L. Douglas for my very choice Gold Embossed Birthday, Flower and Motto Post Cards; beautiful colors and loveliest designs. Ask Post Card Club, 21 Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas.

There are cures for the dope and rum addictions, but the self-kidder never gets it out of his system!

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, etc. a bottle.

The fact that beauty is only skin deep should influence a woman to be shallow.

Advertisement for Good For You, Hestetter's Stomach Bitters, and It Does the Work. Includes text about stomach and bowels, and a testimonial for Hestetter's Stomach Bitters.

Advertisement for PUTNAM FADELESS DYES. Includes text about color fastness and a list of colors.

Wise Uncle Joshua. "Be you the elevator conductor?" asked Uncle Joshua, who had strayed into town out of the sweet rusticity of a comic paper.

"Yes, sir," grinned the boy. "Well, I come ter this village ter see the high buildin'. Haow high ud' ye go?"

"To the top—twenty-first floor." "Take me up to th' levelth. Sho! What's th' use o' riskin' my life 'n' goin' all the hull way when the folks to home 'll never believe I went any higher than ten stories, no matter what I tell 'em?"

Determined. Gillet—What did you pay that world famous specialist \$50 for if you felt perfectly well?

Perry—I wanted to know how he pronounced appendicitis.

Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c cigar is made to satisfy the smoker.

But many a college graduate avoids the disgrace of dyin' rich.

Advertisement for Don't Persecute Your Bowels. Includes text about Carter's Little Liver Pills and an illustration of a man.

Advertisement for PISO'S for COUGHS & COLDS. Includes text about the product and its effectiveness.

Large advertisement for Women Who Suffer. Includes text about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and a list of testimonials from various women.

Advertisement for W. L. DOUGLAS shoes. Includes text about the quality and price of the shoes, and an illustration of a man's face.

Advertisement for Defiance Starch. Includes text about the benefits of the starch and an illustration of a woman.

Advertisement for PUTNAM FADELESS DYES. Includes text about color fastness and a list of colors.