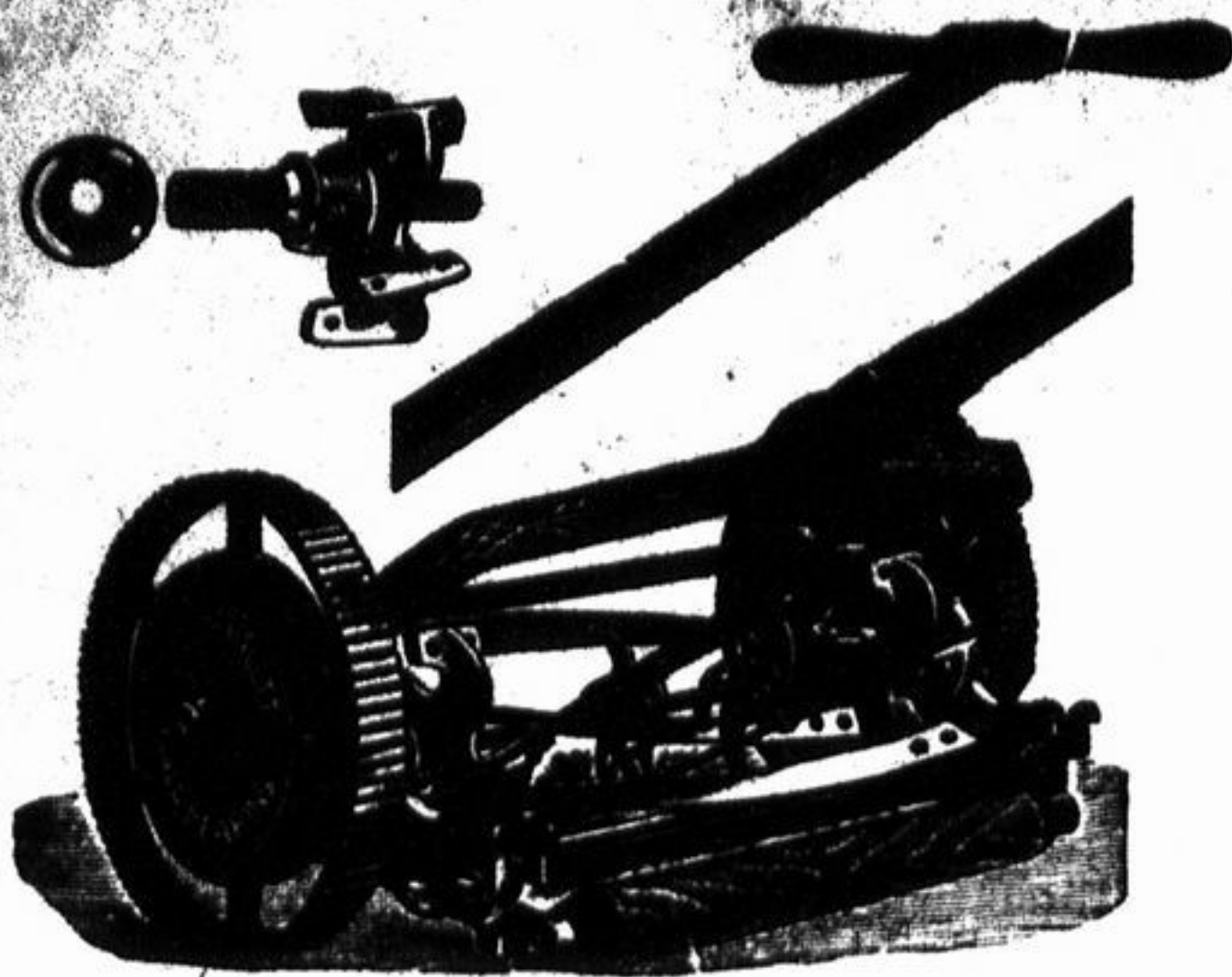


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While plowing on the farm he had just purchased Louis Hoffman of New London, Wis., turned up a pot of gold said to be worth \$30,000. The former owner of the farm has brought suit to recover the gold.

Due to the presence of cattle diseases many of the work animals of the Philippine islands are dying off. The assembly has been asked to offer a prize of \$50,000 to any one who will find a cure for the diseases.

Oklahoma agriculturists have gotten tired of Johnson grass. The governor has approved a bill which makes it a misdemeanor to sow it and to sell hay or grain containing it without informing the purchaser.

The little town of Canon City, Colo., shipped over \$500,000 worth of apples last year. The fruit growers of that section supplied the market with strawberries all through September and October and in some cases shipments were made for the Thanksgiving trade.

Professor Georgeson of the Alaska experiment station reports that the Galloway cattle taken there for the purpose of developing a general purpose breed are thriving in the Alaskan climate. Seventeen calves have been dropped since the herd was taken there.

A proper combination of spade and elbow grease will make the worms working in the earth in the hen yard available for consumption as animal food. The hens will not only be better off for the food which they get, but the chap who works the spade handle will get exercise that will do him good.

A good many municipalities place a minimum butter fat limit of 3 per cent for all peddled milk. If the dairymen who framed these ordinances had to put up with milk that tested less than the above per cent in their coffee and on their oatmeal, a good deal more vigor would be manifested in the prosecution of violators of the regulation.

Specific instructions sent out with most every cream separator put on the market are to the effect that the machine should be thoroughly washed and scalded each time it is used. It is considered that in extreme cases seven patrons do not clean their separators oftener than once a week. It is not surprising that the separator in some localities is not resulting in a materially improved dairy product.

Canned Prunes. Those who have had the opportunity to pick the full ripened fruit of the tree state that it possesses a delicious quality and flavor which are wanting in the dry product of commerce. In this connection considerable interest is felt both by growers and consumers of prunes in some experiments which have been lately conducted in the canning of the fruit. As is done so extensively with peaches, pears and apples, some of this canned product was sent to the Philippine islands, returned to the factory which put it up, and found to be in perfect condition. This keeping quality of the prune when put up fresh is a matter which seems to have been in considerable doubt. Now, however, that the point has been determined, it is quite likely that prunes will be extensively canned.

Conserving Resources. New Mexico is vitally interested in the plan to conserve natural resources and all those acquainted with conditions and needs in this territory watched with keen concern the deliberations of the recent Congress of Governors at the national capital. It has been stated that in New Mexico there are iron deposits sufficient to construct the future navies of the world and enough coal to smelt and work the metal and furnish fuel for the fleets. These resources recognized, but we do not want them wasted. With coal lands we have been wasteful and extravagant; with timber lands we have been reckless and wasteful. The States can do more to conserve our forests, and thereby to conserve the waterways and promote the irrigation projects of the Federal Government, than the nation. The Federal Government has only jurisdiction over public lands; while the States have full authority to regulate the use of streams, of irrigation, waterways and to enforce their right of jurisdiction of private lands in the interest of the general public.

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HINTS FOR FARMERS.

The following is furnished by the Farm Journal, Philadelphia, Pa.:

OUT OF THE GINGER JAR. Once he called her "darling." And wrote her three times a day. Now they're married he never calls her anything but "Say". When in doubt, set another ten. Shorten the row by grinding the hoe. Rainbows can never be seen in bung-holes. Men who pay as they go, usually do not go very often.

He who fears the storms spends many idle days in port. Hot? Yes, but it's good weather for corn. So cheer up. The earthworm considers the plow a harrowing calamity.

It is well to plan the work, but be sure you can work the plan. Take time to grind your Jackknife; many farmers carry awfully dull knives in their pockets.

Open your heart to the sorrow of every man who comes to talk with you about his troubles. Many workers are not strangled on the road to success. They grumble because it is not a pike.

Why is the careless boy like a hen? Because he can seldom find anything where he laid it yesterday. Error is a great deal worse than ignorance. It is better to know nothing than to know what isn't true.

Make that boy a working partner. That is, give him some interest, however small, in the rewards of intelligent husbandry.

Pay as you go. More than one ship has been sunk by the nibbling of a rat. Let no store bill rats nibble at the bottom of your home craft.

A man will wait on a bank four hours for a fish that doesn't intend to bite; but he won't wait five minutes for his wife to get ready for church.

There isn't much music for a good farmer in a rattling wagon. He knows every time he drives such a wagon that he is just shaking the money right out of his own pocket. Tighten things up, and save the wear and tear on the wagon and on your own nerves at the same time.

GUMPTION ON THE FARM.

A farm is worth twice as much as it is worth in dollars and cents.

Slowly and steadily all day long accomplishes more than to hurry and worry for a short time and then quit. One gets less tired for the same work accomplished.

If there are any vacancies in the cornfield, fill them with better something that can be used for anything. Keep every foot of your farm doing something that will help.

Now don't find fault, if your wife because she doesn't keep pie baked all the time. Anyway, too much pie is not healthful. An Indiana man died after eating seven pies.

Stir the earth. Remember that an agitation is the death of all political wrongs, so is it death to weeds. Man never devised a more useful implement than the hoe in its various forms.

Your greatest aid in the harvest is your faithful team. See to it that your horses are not pestered by flies, and that they are properly fed and watered. They have well earned humane treatment.

Don't be afraid of overdoing the cultivation of the corn crop. When there is a lull in other work, if the stalks are not so high that there is danger of knocking them over, run the cultivator through the field once more. If you want nice bright hay that the cattle will eat up clean, and that will do them the most good, don't wait till the blossoms have dropped off and the stalk is dry and hard; cut your grass when it is crisp and juicy.

You are not done with your summer's work unless you have cut out the brush and stuff from the corners of the fences. Perhaps you have some that will cut a little grass. Save it all, you will need it before next spring.

We have usually succeeded best in having our hay baled up as soon as the stacks are out of the sweat; then we sell at once. After this time the hay shrinks a good deal, and more waste must be cut from the outside of the stacks.

When the day is particularly hot and trying, and things seem to go at cross purposes, think of something pleasant. Just draw a mental picture of the after-harvest outing that you and your good wife and your boys and girls are going to have. Remember that love sweetens labor.

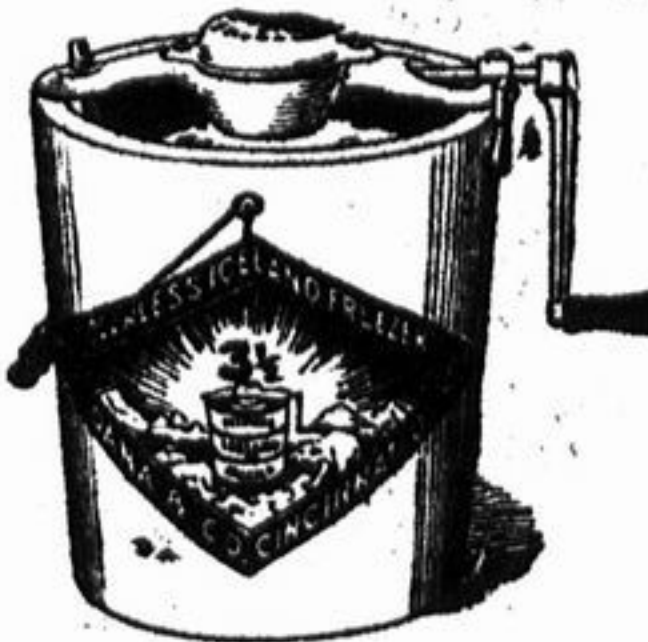
If a farmer is not better than other men, it is his own fault, for he lives closer to the heart of Nature. He hears the voice of God every day, in sweet communion with the trees, the brooks, the sky. He beholds the glory God has painted; he sniffs fragrance from heaven. How can he help being good?

It is an ill wind that blows nobody good, and the hard times have eased the demand on the labor market, so that it is now possible to get workers, and the farmer and his wife may be able to find some one to help, if it is only long enough to tide over the extra work that harvest makes in field and home.

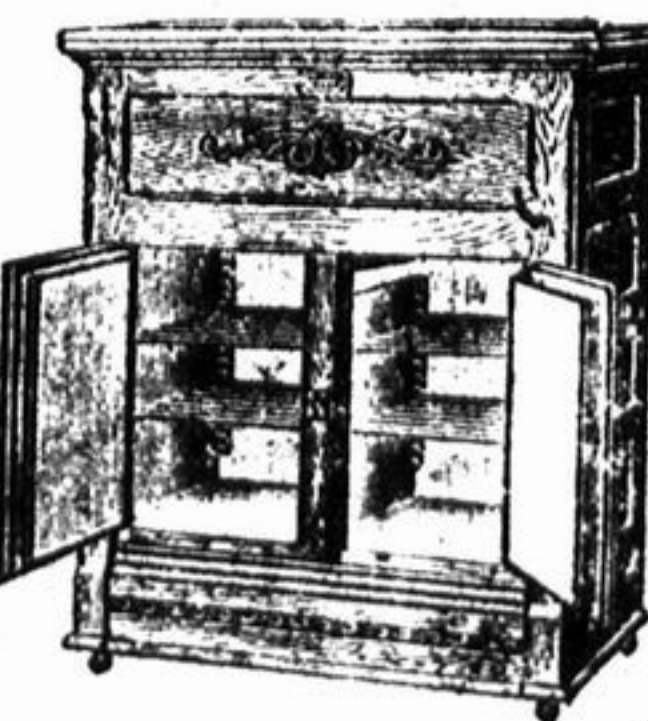
Those who work afield requires their early rising, enjoy the most beautiful part of the day. The picture of daybreak illumining the eastern sky, and the sun breaking through the mists of dawn, is one never to be forgotten, and it is one so illustrious that painters have tried in vain adequately to put it on canvas.

A tub or a barrel often drops down for want of a hoop. If everybody knew how easy it is to make a hoop from a wire—perhaps a piece of waste telegraph wire often seen by the roadside—the work would not wait. Simply heat the wire around the tub to measure it, remove it and twist it fast. Then drive it on like a hoop; drive it fast. It will not break, and being galvanized will last indefinitely.

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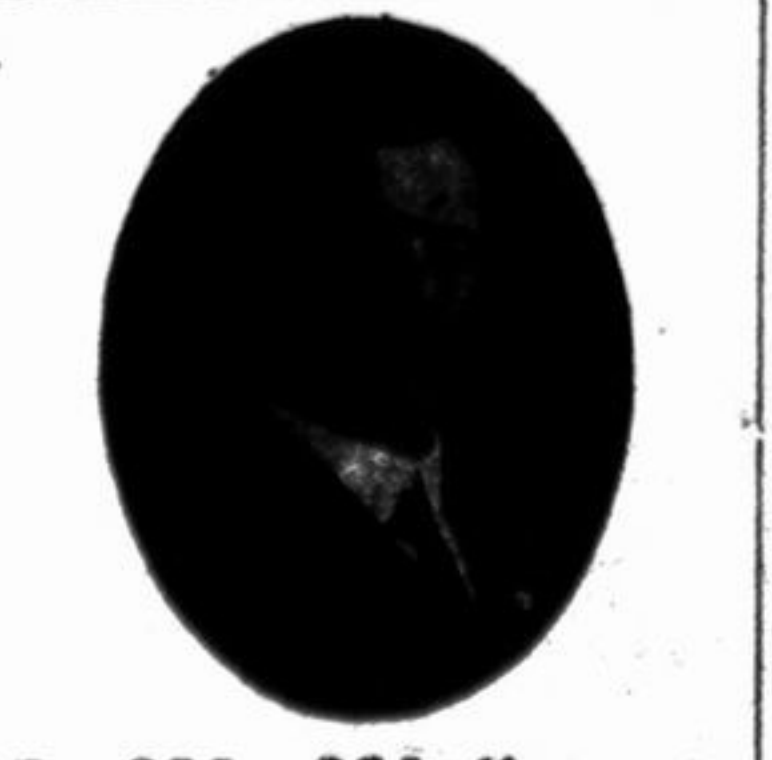
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