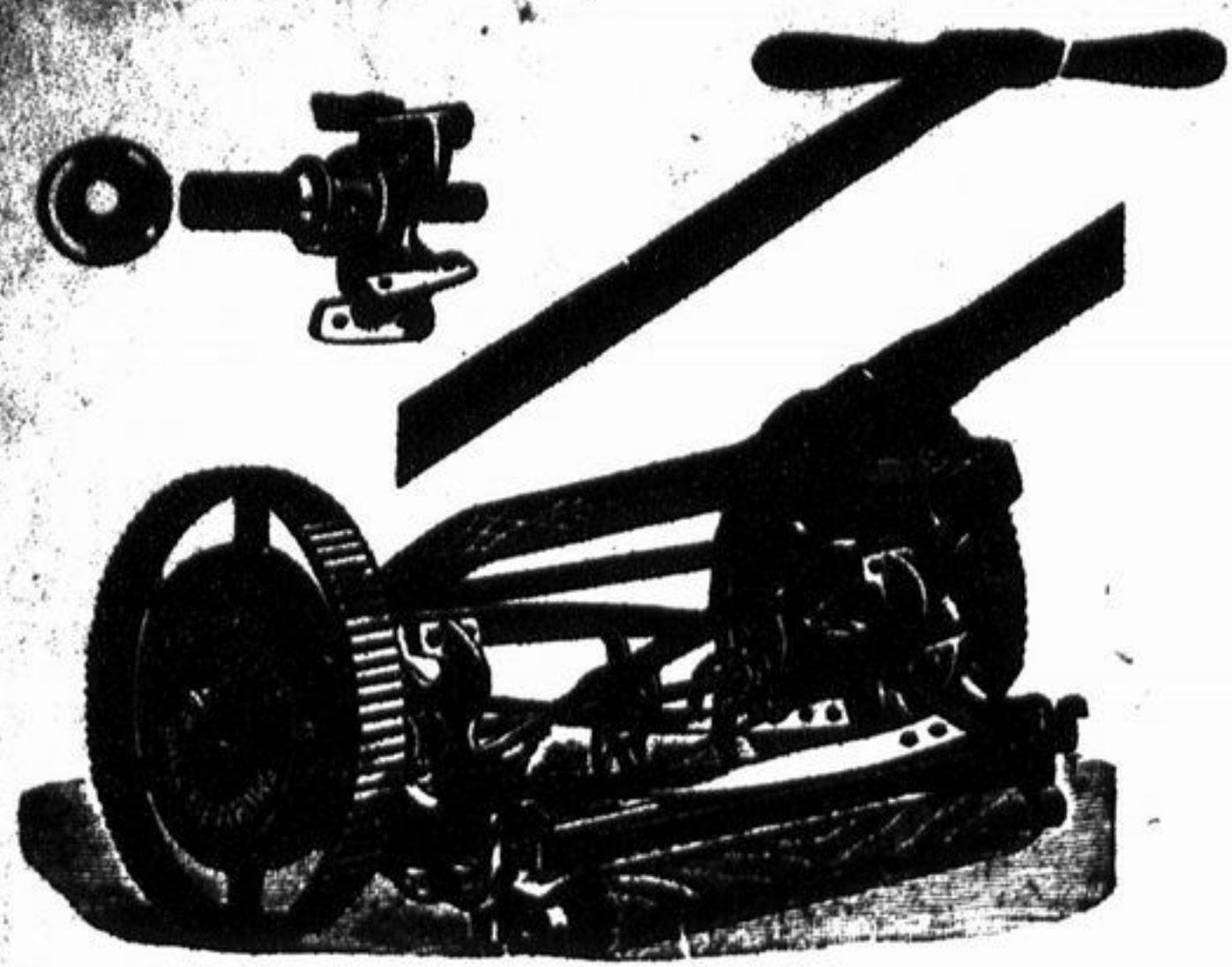


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The old life. The cattleman who have simply used the public domain free of charge are not taking much away with them.

A well kept lawn reflects the good taste and nature of the owner.

The horse is man's best friend; therefore he is deserving of a friend's treatment.

The burning of straw and stalks, except in special cases, is a wasteful practice and has no place in judicious farming.

Every farmer should have a pair of scales. It is the only way for a farmer to know exactly where he stands in his buying and selling.

Farm machinery in repair before the busy season opens means money in the pocket.

At Canby, Minn., the high school has purchased a ten-acre field near the school property to be cultivated as a fruit and vegetable patch.

If you mind your business properly you can, with a good working herd of a dozen milk cows, abstract from the creamery till somewhere around \$70 every month.

The potato growers of Long Island N. Y., have organized a trust to control the output of the island for the coming season.

Every farmer ought to have a horse for business and carriages apart from the stables.

Where an individual pupil in the town or country school becomes a source of more injury to the industry and government of the school which he attends than he derives in benefit from the educational advantages which are available it is time that he be handed his walking papers and told to get out.

A New York farmer reports success in the use of common stovepipe mud as a cure for scours in calves.

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HINTS FOR FARMERS.

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

IN MOWING TIME. The sun climbs over the Eastern hill; The song-birds greet it with lifting trill; The restless cattle begin to stir, And wings of roosters to flap and whirr.

The farmer hears all these signs that tell It's time to rise, and he needs no bell. And Mrs. Farmer—she hears them, too; Her breakfast calls and there's work to do.

The grass is waiting the flashing blade On sunny hillside, in quiet glade; The blade that must ere the sunset glow Lay all the wealth of its greenness low.

So back and forth, as the sun mounts his high, The fields do the mowers ply; Back and forth till the West grows red, And the weary farmer seeks his bed.

To dream of the meadows wet with dew, O'erwhelmed by a sky of matchless blue, Where weather permitting, another day Will find him tossing his rickety hay.

THE POULTRY YARD. The rooster is half the flock. Keep the eggs in a cool cellar. Keep on lighting the army of fow. Disinfect the premises once a week. The prices are good for roasting fowls.

Separate the growing cockerels from the pullets. It will pay to clean up the droppings each morning. Never leave a dead fowl lie around the buildings.

Filly houses are doubly dangerous during the hot weather. The price for dressed ducks is not so high as last month. The most profitable hens as a rule are not the stylish ones.

This is a good time to dispose of the old stock that is not needed. During hot weather special care should be taken not to overcrowd nor overfeed.

To keep them growing, the cockerels need a little more feed than do the pullets. It isn't good for hens to roost in a draft. Locate the windows a little way from the roosts.

When the clouds look threatening, it is time to look after the little turkeys that are running with the hens. Oats are just as good a food as you need for turkeys, but feed them yourself; and don't let the turkeys wallow through the oat fields.

If there is ever a time for lazy folks to hatch chicks it is now, when the weather is favorable and nature provides so abundantly for them. Live like to hide away under the ends of the roosts. Every time you spray, lift the roosts and give the pests a dose that will drive them out for good and all.

Fine wire netting about the yard of the little chicks will keep out rats, unless they dig under. If they do that, better put a cement floor under the enclosure.

Partly decayed meat is little better than a dose of arsenic for hens. It is surely not fit for them to eat. Lumberneck is now believed to be caused by that kind of poison.

You can not blame a hungry cat for destroying birds at nesting time and pecking up a young chicken once in a while. Feed the cats extra well, and they will not be apt to form these bad habits.

In setting a hen late in the season, when the weather is warm, it is well either to make the nest on the ground, or to put a sod in the bottom of it, so that there may be some degree of coolness and moisture.

The best way is to shut up all fowls for twenty-four hours before killing, and give neither "bite nor sup." They will then be quite empty, and will kill and truss up in a very much firmer and sweeter condition than if shipped with decaying fowls and evil-smelling fluids.

WITH THE LIVE STOCK. Begin now to look out for fall feeders. Cattle feeding is likely to prove a profitable business next year for the man of foresight.

Every little while we hear of stock being killed in the pasture during a thunderstorm, by being struck by lightning, communicated from wire fences. This danger can be entirely eliminated by affixing a wire to one post in every twelve or fifteen, in such a manner that one end will be well buried in the earth, while the other has contact with each strand of wire on the post. This affords a perfect ground by which the electrical charge passes harmlessly to the earth.

A pint of corn fed daily to a hog in a clover pasture will make it fit to butcher before cold weather comes. The best time to turn hogs is in warm weather; the best way, a little grain with the pasture; the best breed, the hogs that will eat the most grass, make the most gain and have the most lean meat mixed with the fat.

A thorough cleaning and brushing after each day's work will go a long way toward keeping the horse in condition to do profitable work. Never leave the stable door open to cool off an overheated horse, unless you want him to get congestion. Blanket him and open the window.

The Boy's Idea. "Pop, my son, 'I heard you callin' me that she was comin'." "Yes, my boy, 'I can tell you where she can be seen." "Yes, my boy, 'I can tell you where she can be seen." "Yes, my boy, 'I can tell you where she can be seen."

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Waste in Preparing Vegetables. In preparing vegetables for the table there is almost always a larger or smaller loss due to inedible matter, skins, roots, seeds, etc., and also a waste of good material, which is caused by careless paring, etc., all these losses being paring together in reporting analyses under the name "refuse." The amount of refuse varies greatly in different vegetables, as shown by a large number of analyses of American food materials.

In preparing vegetables for the table the careful cook will remove all inedible portions and will see to it that the total amount of refuse is as small as is consistent with good quality.

Fighting the Potato Bug. Potato bugs are like interest on a mortgage—they work days and nights. When the broods first begin to hatch it is the time to act.

When the whole mixture is thoroughly mixed pour into the barrel of water on the spraying machine and keep the contents of the barrel well stirred while the sprayer is in motion.

The screens can thus be taken out and cleaned in a short time and the spraying go on without further interruption.

Low and rain will not wash it off and traces of it will remain for two weeks and continue to destroy all new hatching of insects.

The pump may be put away and the grower rest assured that he is through for the season.

Art in Cultivating Corn. I think not many farmers realize the value of the main roots of corn or the nature of the growth.

After the first plowing I use my surface riding cultivators with four blades, two on each side of the row, about twenty inches long and three inches wide, that skim under the surface, about two inches, and behind the blades is a drag which is held at a proper angle by a stiff spring.

I don't believe any general rule can be drawn as to how many times corn should be cultivated other than to say again good judgment should be used according to condition of season and soil.

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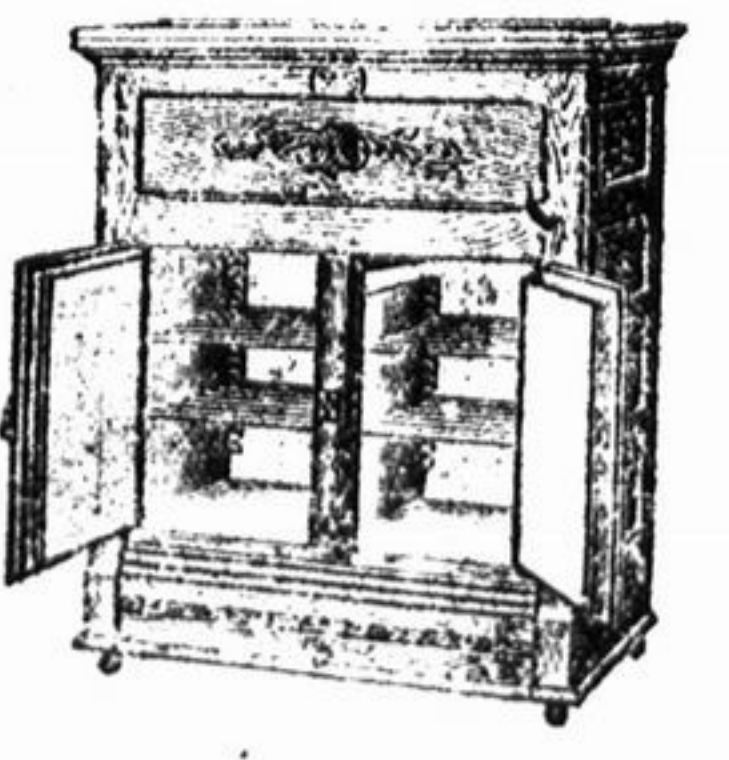
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