

Shade Trees.

The importance of shade trees should, under no circumstances, be overlooked by the farmer...

Value of Milk to Young Animals.

To rear a calf as soon as it can suck the mother's milk, is to rear it earlier than intended...

The Bee of the Future.

"I am an apiary, sir!" said a shiny being called upon me the other day. "I am a bee, sir, and I am soliciting orders for my new hives!"

Farmers' Homes.

Frank D. Curtis, in his address before the New York State Agricultural Society, said that good things in regard to farmers' homes, but none more to the point than the following, in regard to the location and surroundings of the dwelling.

How Cheese Can be Made in India.

The close connection and interaction of religion, statecraft, and science in the world is illustrated in an interesting manner in a recent number of the "Proceedings of the Royal Society of London."

STUFFED MONARCHS.

Ridiculous Collection in a Corner of Westminster Abbey. Many, even among Londoners, are unaware that one of the weirdest relics of the "pomp and vanity" in connection with the grandeur of the past, lurks in a recedite corner in Westminster Abbey.

The discrepancy between what should be the proportionate value of green grass and the same grass in the form of hay, can but raise the inquiry why the superior feeding value of green and naturally succulent food.

Queer Conveyances.

Some birds are known to fly long distances, carrying their young on their backs. Small birds take passage across the Mediterranean Sea on the backs of larger and stronger ones.

Hunting Fish with Dogs.

Captain Mayne Reid in his last story, "The Land of Fire," now appearing in St. Nicholas, gives in the March installment the following interesting description of a peculiar Fœgian manner of fishing.

A Sixteenth Century Breakfast.

Mr. W. S. Caine, M. P., has been bidding forth to the inhabitants of Peckham on the advantages of a "free" breakfast-table. It is to be feared that in this degenerate age we shall never think of that salutary question which commended itself to our ancestors and even to the spicarian Brillat Savarin.

Suspicious.

Groundless suspicion is not only a cause of torment to the suspicious person, but it often proves a positive injury to the person suspected. Many a man, originally innocent, has been driven, through the pressure of unworthy suspicion, to become that which he was once falsely thought to be.

MAKING THE DUMB SPEAK.

Not by a Miracle, but by Patience, Industry, and Practice.

A hundred years ago most persons if asked how the dumb could be made to speak would no doubt have answered without hesitation: "By a miracle!" Yet nearly a quarter of a century earlier, in 1763, a German, Samuel Heinicke, had started a school in Leipzig for teaching deaf mutes to talk.

Progress on the Panama Canal.

There are many who yet doubt whether De Lesseps and his associates will eventually succeed in piercing the Isthmus of Panama with a practical canal. The work has now been fairly commenced, and some \$40,000,000 has thus far been expended.

For Want of Money.

It is now generally admitted by the German military authorities that financial considerations alone prevent the immediate adoption of a magazine, or repeating rifle, as the general armament of the infantry of their army.

Two Connecticut Lovers.

Two Connecticut lovers has just made up after a quarrel which took place 53 years ago. Some people cannot hold malice.

Roots for the Dairy.

Recently the writer visited a large dairy which was daily giving hundreds of pounds of very rich milk. The ration fed was as follows: a small feed of grain and about a half pound of sugar beets per day.