Farmers' Ciubs for the Young.

Too much cannot be said or encourage farment clube. They rounion of farmers and their families; ures, from which new hints may be gained. an occasion from which every man may return with the feeling that he has improved his mind and helped his neighbor.

Gov. Robinson says: "The secret of power lies in combination ; combined sentiment that shall grow out of the intelligence and culture of such a union, cannot fail."

Young farmers need the club and grange more than do their fathers. Talking in public, in the farmers' club or grange, or in the farmers' convention, is a very beneficial training. Young farmers and young men, expecting to become farmers, can de much in the way of getting a good agricultural education without going to the Agricultural College, if they choose, yet the privileges of the college and witnessing the experiments are far better than the home farm. Farms are schools—they are next to the college.

The present tendency is in the direction of farmers' clubs, or gatherings, institutes, granges, etc. At first we had only one or more in each county, and these societies are yearly multiplying. To complete the system we want the small societies formed in all the towns, and the whole united into one grand and co-operative system of popular agricultural education, under the auspices and patronage of the government.

The farmers, especially the young farmers, I trust, will consider this question. How gratifying would it be to know that four or five hundred of these clubs existed, scattered all over this Commonwealth

It was my fortune, whether good or bad, to commence farming when prices of produce were very low. Butter 15 cents per pound, potatoes at one shilling per bushel, eggs 12 cents per dozen, pork 5 cents, beef 4 cents, etc. But, with all these seeming discouragements and obstacles, I liked farming and firmly believed then, as now, that if intelligently conducted, it will bring the average man as many good things in this world, that are worth striving for, as will any other occupation.

If it be seriously urged that farmers cannot afford the time for mutual improvement, I answer, they cannot aff rd, at the present day, not to do it. - Daniel Dwight.

Sundry Suggestions.

Mr. L. P. Smith, a packer of forty years' experience says: "The quantity of grain that will make a pound of beef will make more then a pound of pork, and a pound of perk is generally worth more than a pound of beef. A Berkshire hog is at his best ere he is twelve months old, while a bullcck will require three, if not four years. If time and interest on money go for anything then it is in favor of the hog."

A cut or a sore on a cows teat is always difficult to heal, on account of its being constantly kept irritated by the milking process. Care should be taken to seften the scab before commencing to mllk. This will prevent the sore from cracking open more, and if it is slightly oiled after milking it will generally heal very soon. There should be a little turpentine mixed with the oil in the fly season.

There is much waste in throwing corn on the ground to be fed to fattening hogs. They will not eat all if fattening, as where a hog has all he can eat he is rather dainty, and objects to taking his feed with any surplusage of dirt. In very cold weather hogs or cattle fed out-doors will retire to shelter before eating all they would if fed under other conditions.

If pork has ever soured or spoiled in a barrel it is not safe to use it for pork again. no matter how thoroughly it may have been cleansed. The cost of a new barrel warranted to preserve the pork is much less than the value of meat which it will hold. It is true the fault may not originally be in the barrel, but rather in modes of management, but, having once spoiled a lot of pork, the barrel had better thereafter be left to other uses.

Many persons are prevented from using petrol sum on wood work, and especially on the roofs of houses, by the fear that it will make the wood more inflammable. This is not the case. The oil enters the pores and so fills them that the wood is harder and less likely to ignite than before. Coal oil or crude petroleum, with something to give it body, makes a cheap paint for all wooden implements, and to coat over the ironwork of plows and cultivators to prevent them from rusting in the winter.

The Potato Rot

There has been very widespread complaint of the potato rot this fall. In some fields there has not been half a crop, and as a rule the general yield has been far below the average. Why cannot these serious losses be averted by proper precaution? We believe they can be in very many, if not in all instances.

At least one cause of decay in the tuber is fungous growths upon the vines, which later spreads down the vine and to the tuber. This fungous growth is in turn caused by dampness, warm, wet weather being especially conducive to it.

Now, how may we avert the danger hereafter ? First plant no tubers that have been subject to this potato disease. Second, do not p'ant on low wet ground. No serious results might follow in a dry season ; but look out for a wet one. Third, if you discover this rusty-looking fungous growth on your potato vines, dig the tubers at once, even if they are not half grown. Half a crop is better than none at all. They are certain to decay if left until the fungus attacks

When dug, pototoes should be put in a cool place, and a dry one, if they have been exposed to the fungus. Farmers who have tried this method report satisfactory results. It is too late now to act on this suggestion. but save it in your farmer scrap book (you no doubt have ene) for another year. Your motto will then be: Watch for the yellow tints on the potato vines.

Pigs in Winter.

Many farmers have either killed or sold their heavy hogs by this time, and their place is now supplied by younger members of the porker family. It is important that these pigs be cared for during the cold

o start, until ready for market. Pork to do this it will not do to let there be a standstill in growth. At no time does it pay to feed out grain, unless there is a sufficient amount of growth made to pay for it, and standstill. All feed to an animal which does not grow in proportion, is lost, and in these hard times farmers cannot afford to waste any grain whatever, but to yield a profit it must be seen that each animal gives increased weight, in proportion to the amount of grain expended upon it. From this the importance is seen of making every young animal grow from the start, and most especially is this warning needed in the management of the pige in winter time. - Stockman.

THE LIME KILM OLUB.

During the past week a distinguished delegation from Marietta, O., consisting of the Hon. Coley Strawder, Hon. Cush Henderson and Deacon Fletcher, have been visiting the Lime-Kiln Club. The object was to secure "pointers" for the benefit of the colored society, in Marietta, known as "The Solemn Band of Gideon," The delegation had never tackled a town of over 4 000 inhabitants before, and were rather 'off color' in Detroit.

The Hon. Strawder, for instance, insisted on walking in the middle of the road, and in using lard and lamp-black on his boots. The Hon. Henderson lost his wallet containing \$10 while buying peanuts on the market, and had to raise his fare home by spouting his silver watch. Deacon Fletcher mailed letters in fire alarm boxes, followed a brass band a mile and a half in the mud, and was foolish enough to mix up in a dog-fight and get knocked down by the man who owned the second best canine.

The delegates went away happy, however, and check full of information for the benefit of their band. They were granted a charter to work to the thirty second degr e, and start out with sixty-seven members, every one of whom has a bald spot on top of his head and knows the difference between a spring-chicken and a motherly hen.

TOO HIGH.

The Secretary announced a communication from Prof. Artichoke Johnson, of Pekin, Ill., expressing his willingness to appear before the club and deliver his celebrated lecture en "The Gradual Decay of the Umbrella." His terms would be \$50 cash down, with a written guarantee that he should have a feather bed to sleep on.

"While I myself have had no less dan a dozen umbrellas gradually decay on me," said the president, "I doan regard de subjeck as one of deep public interest. De Seckretary will reply to de effeck dat de price am too high too shed rain."

PETITIONS The following petitions were presented: From twenty-four colored citizens of Atlanta, asking the United States, Government for better protection against traveling doctors who claim to be able to cure a corn of

five years' growth inside of three days. From thirty-five white citizens of Richmond praying the Lime Kiln Club to use its influence with the present Congress to prevent colored people from going to the post office mere than twelve times in twenty four hours.

From eighteen colored residents of Toronto, asking the influence of the club to bring about a closer relationship between the black races in the two countries. As matters now stand a Canadian colored man never enters the United States without putting his money in his boot and feeling a chill go up and down his back.

From 108 leading colored citizens of New Orleans, praying the club to instruct Congress to make it a gallows offense for any white man to "dose" a watermelon with intent to lessen the colored population.

The above petitsons were referred to the proper committee, with power to send for persons and papers and expend the sum of twenty-five cents for stationery and postage.

FROWNED DOWN.

Pickles Smith offered a resolution to the effect that a committee be appointed to investigate and pronounce on the skull of Demosthenes, now hanging on a nail in the museum and labelled: "After Using." He had heard serious doubts expressed as to whether the skull was genuine, or one made to order in New York and would like the

fact settled. "Brudder Smith, sot right down?" exand hang up a skull in dis museum we hev only supposed to be de skull of Demos. hones | reality. but it am 'spected dat ebery individual member of dis club am ready to take off his coat to support de supposishun! When you start out to make a musenm de first

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The case of Whalebone Howker was then called up by Sir. Isaac Wolpole. Several weeks since Brother Howker signed a paper recommending a certain brand of stoveblacking, and sold the maker the right to use his picture on the package. This is in violation of by law No. 17, and Howker was suspended for six months and fined \$600. Sir Isaac desired to appeol in his behalf. The suspended brother lived next door to him, and the way he took on o nights kept his neighbors awake. He had lost flesh at the rate of a pound a day, and his family were greatly concerned for his health. The fine hung over him like a ten-ton grindstone, and his suspension seemed more than he could bear.

"Whar am Brudder Howker jist now?" asked the President.

"In de aunty-room, sah,"

"You kin bring him in." Brother Howker was brought in. He had tightened his belt to the last notch, so as to appear fearfully emaciated, and walked with a step which seemed to preve that this vain world had no further charms for him. He also managed to get off three or four groans which seemed to come from down among the shoe-pegs.

"Brudder Howker," said the President, "friends have interceded in your behalf, an' Teronte.

M. You kin now take your outs you in two.

Waydowa Bebee, the elected post of the the clab to offer any winter prises for poems

"I doen fink it ar," replied the President. "De fack am, poetry has become so common an' cheap nowadays dat we kin git all we want fur de askin'. Las' summer, when we offered \$5 fur de best poem en de watermelyon, mo' dan thirty pussons spent \$100 of deir valuable time in competin' fur de priza. Incouraigin' poetry am incouraigin' laziness. Samuel Shin will now sound de triangle to bring dis meetin' to a stop, an' befo' looking de alley doah he will see dat de b'ar-traps am properly sot to embrace any vile pusson who may seek to enter de hall by dat route.

THE MOTHER OF ANGELS.

BY BESSIE STAR KEEPER.

It is Sabbath evening. A solemn stillness pervades the air. The church bells have long since ceased ringing. My children are asleep in their cosy nest upstairs. And I, with my feet on the fender, sit dreamily looking into the fire. There is no one else in the house and I can rest in my easy chair undisturbed. What thoughts come crewding in upon my mind, visions of the past, regrets, self-reproach. The wind is rising and a mournful wail sweeps past the window. What waves of unconquerable longing, what billows of anguish come rolling over me. I rise and walk rapidly up and down the room, struggling against the overwhelming agony, how leng I know not, but at last the storm is over, for the same dear voice which commanded the waves of Galilee has said, " peace; be still !" and Sabbath calm again possesses me, driving out this spirit of unrest that will at times sieze upon me.

I said my children were asleep upstairs. Two are there, but three are under the snow. O friend, do you know what that means? Do you know what it means, when the wind is whistling down the chimney, to realise that out in the desolate grave-yard, down in the frozen ground, lies the babe, that scarcely entered your home ere it left it, whose first feeble wail was a farewellthe little daughter, just learning to lisp your name, when an unseen finger closed her lips forever? A darling boy; your pride a treasure guarded so jealously, and without whom it seemed 'twould be impossible to live; whose feet ran on such willing errands; whom you folded to your bosom with all the intensity of a mother's yearning affection while the blue eyes loving'y looking into yours gave en phasis to the caressing "mama darling;" suddenly, withthe loving eyes closed, the dear voice hushed, the willing feet nevermore to run to meet you? If you understand the bitter, bitter meaning, God help you, for He alone can make light to shine in this darkness. And He will help you.

Though so many centuries have clapsed, the promise is as sure to-day as when it first was given-" My grace is sufficient for thee." It is useless for friends to counsel us to "be resigned," it is worse than useless for us so to counsel ourselves. Zealous Christians speak no reproof, come not to us with saintly homilies on the blessed meaning and mission of affliction, or duty of submission. We have heard all that before. But sometimes we cannot bear even a sympathetic hand-clasp. Only leave us alone with our grief and our God, let us wait upon Him, and the time will come when in the midst of our mourning we shall say: "He leadeth

me beside the still waters." O what stillness after our turbulent grief! Sister mourner. do you know we are mothers of angels?" The preciousness of that thought is taking possersion of me to-night as I resume my chair by the fire.

"They are not dead-But gone into that school

Waere they no longer need our poor protection, And Christ himself doth rule."

The cold grave and desolate churchyard pass; I see the gates of pearl, the streets of gold, the crystal sea, and the "great muititude which no man can number," forever free from pain, or crying, or sickness; happy where there is "fulness of joy forevermore." The wind dies away and in its stead I hear the sound of "harpers harping on their harps," and the triumphal song of the redeemed. And above it all there comes to me the well remembered greeting-"here's claimed the President as he brought his my mama's darling boy," and as I strain gavel down with a bang. "When we label my eyes to see my children on the other shore, the vision fades; but my sorrow will gone too fur to back water. Dat am not never again be quite the same. Heaven is a

Perhaps you have asked why does G.d give us our children only to take them again and leave us desolate. But, bereaved mother, would you give the remembrance of the happiness that was yours for a season, the thousand treasured words and ways, to escape this pain? I know you would not. Rather let us, from the remembrance, gather inspiration to truer womanhood and nobler lives, as deep down in our hearts we say :

"The mother of angels must walk softly." TOBONTO, ONT.

The entries for the great Colonial and Indian Exhibition still come in from all quarters of the Dominion, and corporations, societies, and institutions of all sorts, are contributing to make the display of the most varied character. One of the novel features in the Dominion display will be a journal printed in the building. This paper will be edited ond published by Canadians, printed from Canadian type, on a Canadian press, and from Canadian made paper. It will be published by a syndicate of gentlemen, under the name of the "Trades Publishing Co.," with effices in Toronto and Montreal.

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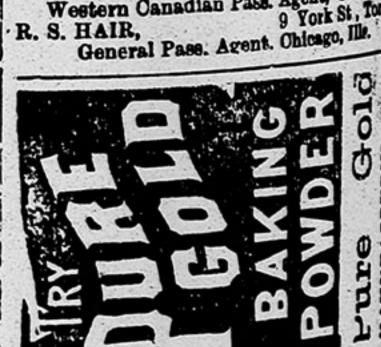
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