

Agricultural

SOME FARM POINTERS.

The wheat crop is hardly harvested before the wise farmer begins his plans for sowing wheat again. Experience has proved the wisdom of early sowing on many lands for wheat so as to allow the land to settle well. In some places it is becoming understood, however, that it is best to sow wheat rather late on account of the ravages of the Hessian fly. It has been determined by a careful wheat grower that the same kind of wheat sowed with a month's difference between the sowing made no difference in the time of the wheat's ripening.

Remember the adage that more farm implements and machinery "rust out than wear out." Exposing implements and machinery to the rains and hot sun will really prove more destructive to them than the actual use they get. All such things should be kept under shelter when not in actual use. Look them carefully over when put away, and if any repairs are needed attend to them at once, so as to have in readiness to take quick advantage of all favorable weather opportunities.

Crimson clover makes a good carpet for fields that are now unsightly with noxious weeds. Sow the seed any time in October. The clover will afford considerable winter pasture and be excellent to turn under in the early spring for a corn field. The crop will become a summer weed preventer and will turn such unsightly fields into sources of profit, as the turning under will enrich the soil.

Always be careful to mark some of the best vegetables and corn that are to be saved for seed. Proper seed selection means improvement, both in quality and yield. Wise farmers place high value on choice seeds for all kinds of crops. It pays to pay an increased price for prime, plump seed wheat. Poor seed of any kind should never be planted and it is always a wise investment to secure the best seed the market affords.

The cabbage worm when it once commences its depredations on the cabbage is very destructive. It will riddle the cabbage leaves so they will be comparatively worthless. Paris green at the rate of one pound to 50 gallons of water is recommended. It is considered perfectly safe until the heads commence to form. Many good authorities claim it may be used after the heads form, as they say cabbage heads grow large from the inside instead of from the outside after a certain time of growth. Hot water is also effectively used. Some farmers say they use a small handful of salt on each wormy head. Kerosene and milk, put on with an ordinary sprayer, one part kerosene to five of milk, is a very good plan.

POULTRY POINTERS.

If you begin to fight the lice early your growing chickens should now be moderately free from the troublesome pests.

Some people keep their poultry well, but seem to forget that different breeds have different purposes.

Promptness and thoroughness, as in all other professions, is of vast importance in poultry culture.

Six months is considered long enough for a pullet of the laying variety to get ready for laying.

Air-slacked lime scattered on the range will kill many of the germs that sicken chicks.

Because a fowl will eat filthy food is no reason why we should feed more of it to them.

Produce men consider an egg as being stale if over three days old during warm weather.

A sitting hen likes a tidy and well-ventilated nest as well as a nice roosting place.

Keep the pullets finishing steadily so they will be in fine laying condition this fall.

HORSE HINTS.

A horseman writes: "I pride myself on the care I give my horses, and I say keep the currycomb off of them if you desire a fine, glossy coat. The currycomb irritates the skin, creates more dandruff than it cleans out, splits and cuts the hair and makes the coat rough and dull looking. The currycomb is of no use to me except to clean the brush. Brush your horse well, give him a good rubbing with a cloth and you will secure a nice glossy coat."

The horse may know a good deal more than his owner, but, unfortunately,

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is more healthful than Japan tea.

ately for both, the horse is not permitted to use his superior knowledge.

Is the currycomb a benefit or a damage to the coat of the horse? There is a growing opinion that the man who currycombs his horse makes a mistake. The teeth of the comb break off many hairs and roughen many more. Many hairs are split by the teeth of the comb. Furthermore, it is claimed that "the comb creates dandruff by loosening scales of the skin. The scales if left to loosen by natural processes, will flake off in due time, and only brushing is needed to remove them and to spread through the hair the natural oil secretion of the skin. Must the currycomb go? Who can successfully deny these statements against the sharp-toothed comb?"

All hard-worked horses in farm fields are greatly refreshed by an occasional rub with a coarse cloth or wisp of fine, dry hay. Repeated several times during a hot day, the simple attention will do wonders for the toiling, sweating animal.

THE POWERFUL ICE-BREAKER, "BAIKAL."

The great English firm of Sir William Armstrong, Whitworth & Co., has built upon Lake Baikal one of the most remarkable steamships in the world to ferry the Siberian trains across the lake, and in winter to break the ice at the same time. This was brought out in pieces from Newcastle-on-Tyne, and put together by English engineers who have been living in that remote and lonely spot for over two years. The "Baikal," as the steamer is called, is a magnificent vessel of 4,000 tons, with twin engines amidships of 1,250 horse-power each, and a similar engine forward to drive the screw in the bow; for the principle of the new type of ice-breaker is to draw out the water from under the ice ahead by the suction of a bow-screw when the ice collapses by its own weight and a passage is forced through the broken mass by the impact of the vessel. The "Baikal" has extensive upper works and these contain luxurious saloons and cabins. Upon her deck she will carry their trains—a passenger train in the middle and a freight train on each side. Her speed is thirteen knots and on her trial trips she has shown herself capable of breaking through solid ice thirty-eight inches thick with five inches of hard snow on the top—such snow is much more difficult to pierce than ice—and has forced her way through two thicknesses of ice frozen together aggregating from fifty-six to sixty-five inches.

In summer her bow-propeller should be removed and large propellers substituted for her smaller winter ones; but so far the railway authorities have taken no steps to build a dock upon the lake, without which neither of these important changes can be effected, nor the steamer herself repaired if any mishap should damage her hull. Lake Baikal is frozen from the middle of December to the end of April, and there is also talk of laying a railway across upon the ice, as is done each year from St. Petersburg to Kronstadt; but probably all depends upon the success of the ice-breaker next winter.

INTERNATIONAL COURTESY.

The following are rules laid down for observance by men-of-war:

"When a ship of the navy enters the port of any foreign nation where there is a fort or a battery displaying the national flag, or where a commanded ship of war of that nation is lying, she should fire a salute of twenty-one guns, unless the Captain has reason to believe the salute cannot be returned. In this case he should immediately take steps to ascertain the local regulations or custom. This salute shall be the first fired after entering port. The ensign of the nation saluted shall be displayed at the main during the salute. In case two or more ships enter in company, only the senior shall salute."

"Ships carrying ten or more broad-side guns or ships commanded by a Captain or Commander and provided with four or more light quick-firing guns of practically the same size and volume of report, mounted on the hull and suitably placed, shall be regarded as saluting ships."

I would die for you! she exclaimed, pillowing her head upon his shoulder. Oh, no, you needn't darling, was the quick reply; I like red hair.

Dinglebat has original ideas about family government. He says every home should be a little republic, where universal toleration prevails and everyone has a voice in the government. Yes, his family is managed on that plan; but he and Mrs. Dinglebat have the same old wrangle every day as to who shall be president.

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HIS PEDIGREE.

Is airy letter here for me? Who's you? I'm bill. An' who's Bill? Fer the lan' sake, don't you know me? I'm Bill, that married Susan, that married Tom, that died last harvest, when cottom wuzn't fetchin' enough ter pay fer the pickin', an' ol' Jones shot a nigger fer stealin' a mule that wuz lame in one leg an' foundered in all four; an' ef you hain't got no letter fer me gimme a postal card!

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LET DEEDS RATIFY SENTIMENT.

Ladies of Canada: The world never saw such an exhibition of patriotic sentiment as the African war called forth.

Canadians, Australians and the splendid youth of Natal fought side by side with the British tea planters of Ceylon and India.

Australia drinks the teas of Ceylon and India, while Canada already drinks their Black tea. Drinkers of Japan tea should try their green teas. Up to date tea merchants, the Salada Company, for instance, now sell them entirely on merit. "Middle-of-the-road men" are only waiting for supplies. While "sit-on-the-fence men" are waiting to see how the cat will jump.

Ladies of Canada, we pray you aid the British planter.

Colonist.

Professor, to student of surgery—Please inform the class the names of bones forming the skull. Student—Ah—er—I do not at the present time remember, but I know that I have them all in my head. Uproar in class.

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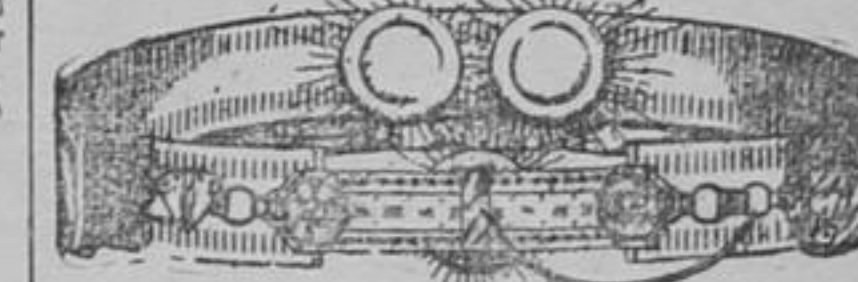
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