

A GEM. The following it is said was lost from a young lady's pocket-book on one of our streets. Hearts were made to break, Hands were made to squeeze, Eyes were made to rove about, And many a heart was broken.

A SONG FOR THE GIRL I LOVE. A song for the girl I love, God love her! A song for the eyes of tender blue, And the fragrant mouth that smiles on mine.

God love her! A song for the eyes of tender blue, And the fragrant mouth that smiles on mine. The shimmering tresses unbound, That obey her neck with tender gold.

Odds and Ends. If farmers will keep a slate hanging up in bark or workshop, with a pencil attached by a string, so as to note down work to be done on stormy days, it would be found to be of great advantage.

SOY CABBAGES.—There are often many small plots of waste or vacant ground on the farm, after the general crop are reaped, in which may be utilized in raising cabbages.

Every farmer should know that the best manure for any plant is the decomposed leaves and substance of the species. This fact will suggest the proper course with reference to the leaves, tops, vines, haulm, and other vegetable refuse of the garden.

DIYERS.—If you have been endeavoring to get ahead in the world by simply growing a single crop, we suggest that you diversify in future, for we are assured you find yourself getting behindhand every year.

Quiet, rest, gentle and kind treatment are necessary to insure the heaviest secretion of pure and rich milk. Cows that are kept excited and shy from ill-treatment will never fully develop their milking qualities.

When planted in very rich soil, tomatoes often produce much wood and little fruit. The best crop of tomatoes I ever saw was furnished by main stems as free from side growth as a walking-stick.

If you have upon the farm a horse that is "bad to catch," try what virtue there is in the following treatment: You may club and pull him before you catch him, but you will not get him a second time in your hand.

The best thing about carpets is that you buy them by the yard, and wear them out by the foot. The entire assets of a recent bankrupt were nine children. The creditors acted magnanimously, and let him keep them.

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They tell about the metamorphoses wrought on their companions by the "modern" fashions, as though they were something wonderful, but we have ourselves seen a young man turn into a drinking saloon and a girl into a candy shop.

When a man begins to go down hill, he is apt to betray the fact by his exterior appearance; he wears a long face, allows his clothes to look shabby, and acts like one bereft of hope or prospects.

There are 31,417,540 one-dollar bills in circulation, and it seems as if an editor might get hold of one once in a while. An Irishman, in writing a letter to his sweetheart, asks if she would accept his love or not, writes thus: "If you don't love me please send back the letter without breaking the seal."

An Iowa paper tells of a smart wife that helped her husband to raise seventy acres of wheat. The way she helped him was to stand in the door and shake a broom at him when he sat down to rest.

A pious old farmer, who lived in a wild and lonely place, was asked:—"Are you not afraid to live here, specially in the winter?" "No," said he, "faith shuts my door at night and mercy opens it in the morning."

An old miser who was very ill sent to his physician: "Doctor, I'll give you a hundred dollars if you'll keep me alive another year." To which the doctor replied: "It is better to think I could do it for that, but I'll undertake it for five hundred."

"That's too much, I'd rather die than pay such a price." And he did die. Quiet, rest, gentle and kind treatment are necessary to insure the heaviest secretion of pure and rich milk.

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On Saturday, the 23d of June,

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JAMES MATTHEWS.

Acton, June, 1877.

Conveyancer, Com. in Q. B., Registrar of Marriages, Licenses, Insurance Agent, &c.

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Acton, March 14, 1877.

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