

**How to Keep Sweet Potatoes.**

"It is much easier," says the Southern Agriculturist, "to raise a large crop of sweet potatoes in the South than it is to save them. We are satisfied that one cause that has brought about rot in this delicious bulb is that there is too much water in it when stowed away. The potato, when dug, should not be exposed to the sun, but placed in the shade, and not in heaps, so there will be no sudden heating of their skins to rupture or destroy their coating. By placing potatoes where they will undergo a process of evaporation of their surplus thin juices, they can be more easily preserved, and we believe that if the patrons of the Agriculturist will follow our suggestions, they can save their sweet potatoes in Alabama as easily as Irish potatoes are kept in Kentucky. The plan of a Mississippi farmer is as follows: Dig after the first frost and stow them away, for next spring, in the following manner: Place a layer of potatoes on a dry ground floor, and cover them with dry earth. On the latter place another layer of potatoes, and again cover with earth, and so on till all are stowed. I believe that a pile the size of the Pyramid of Cheops might safely be put away in that manner. The earth keeps the potato warm and dry, the two essentials to its preservation. The sort of earth to use is the dust found in country roads.

**A Man Superior to His Fate.**

[Geneva dispatch to London Times.] A man who by dint of sheer courage and energy overcame almost insuperable difficulties, and showed that life, even when it seems almost a curse, may be well worth living, died recently at Arc, in the canton of Geneva. Jean Trotter, the man in question, was born in 1831, without hands and without feet. His short arms were pointed, and his legs, such as they were, not being available for progression, he was able to move only by twisting his body from side to side. His case greatly interested the surgeons of the neighborhood, and local Barnums made the parents, well-to-do peasants, many tempting offers to turn their child's misfortune to account by exhibiting him about the country; but these offers were invariably declined, and when Jean was old enough he was sent to school. In writing he held his pen at the bend of his elbow, and as he grew older he took great interest in husbandry, became an active hay-maker, used the reins with dexterity, and was so good a shot that he often carried off the first prize at the village "tirs." He enjoyed, too, some reputation for sagacity, was consulted by his neighbors on matters of importance, and has left behind him a widow and four children, amply provided for.

**To Attain Long Life.**

[Scientific American.] Some one wisely says that he who strives after a long and pleasant term of life must seek to attain continual equanimity, and carefully to avoid everything which too violently taxes his feelings. Nothing more quickly consumes the vigor of life than the violence of the emotions of the mind. We know that anxiety and care can destroy the healthiest body; we know that fright and fear, yes, excess of joy, becomes deadly. They who are naturally cool and of a quick turn of mind, upon whom nothing can make too powerful an impression, who are not wont to be excited either by great sorrow or great joy, have the best chance of living long and happy after this manner. Preserve, therefore, under all circumstances, a composure of mind which no happiness, no misfortune, can too much disturb. Love nothing too violently; hate nothing too passionately; fear nothing too strongly.

**A Georgia Justice of the Peace.**

The Eastman, Ga., Times tells of a Mr. Cochran, a rural Justice of the Peace, who, just as two attorneys were about to argue a case, took up his hat and said: "Gentlemen, you may talk about this case as much as you please; but I've got to go home and set out some potato slips. When you get through you'll find my decision written out there?" and he walked out.

By going a few minutes sooner or later, by stopping to speak with a friend on the corner, by meeting this man or that, or by turning down this street instead of the other, we may let slip some impending evil, by which the whole current of our lives would have been changed. There is no possible solution to the dark enigma but the one word, "Providence."—Longfellow.

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