# For the Farmer.

### THE ORCHARD.

The mild weather prevailing just now, reminds the fruit grower, as well as the farmer, of the near approach of Spring. While yet, but little can be done on the farm except to see that everything is in readiness for the planting season, still there are some things that can be better done now, than when, hurried by the growing crops, hardly any time can be spared for aught else. A little care bestowed on the orchard now, will well repay for all the time and labor expended. See to it that all suckers are removed from around the trunks of the trees, as these are not only unsightly, but do trees a positive injury, in taking vality that would otherwise be expended in the growth of new wood and fruit. The great pest of the orchard, the borer, should be looked for and destroyed as soon as possible. After having cut away all the suckers, if any exist, carefully remove the earth from the trees to the depth of an inch or so, smoothing over the surface of the ground; and if the borers have already commenced their work upon the trees they will soon give evidence of it. The ground will be dotted with small parcels of what may appear to be saw dust; and if the tree is carefully examined when found, a small hole will be seen, thus showing that the borer is already at work. When this is observed, the best way is to thrust a flexible wire into the hole, and by gently pushing it, it will reach and destroy the grub. Watch the trees carefully for a number of successive mornings, and all of the grubs can be easily killed. Do not allow the grass to grow close around the tree, as an easy hiding place for the grub is made. Such small lumps as need to be removed, can now be easily seen, and much less time will be consumed in removing them now than when the foliage has made its appearance. All rough, dead bark should be scraped off, care being taken not to injure the tender bark beneath. With a little attention given to removing the eggs of the cater pillar, much labor and trouble later in the season may be avoided. These eggs are usually deposited in the forks of the trees, or on the extremities of the young branches. It may be well to wash the trees with strong soap suds or whale oil soap, thereby destroying all fungus growth, as well as killing such insects as find a lodging place in the crevices of the bark. It is to be constantly kept in mind that to have good, thrifty trees, and a plentiful crop of fruit, the land ought to be plentifully manured, and the soil made mellow by cultivation.

A crop of fruit takes from the soil as well as any other crop, and the best result can only be obtained where thorough cultivation of the orchard is added to constant care of the trees. It does not do to wait until the trees have become unsightly and moss-covered, and then attempt to restore them by an indiscriminate cutting of branches and scraping of trunks. Constant vigilance is the price of good fruit, as well as of many other desirable things; and no one need expect a profitable crop, except the conditions necessary for such a result have been fully complied with.

### Hog Cholera.

Among the *preliminaries* for getting rid of this troublesome disease, we would recommend that the animal be allowed the free use of his nose, and free access to woodland or meadows. In a word, let the hog get back to first principles again in the mode of his life. Avoid over-crowding and long confinement in any one place. Allow him variety in his diet. Give him something else besides clear corn. It may be that our farmers have been too anxious, and in too great a hurry to convert their corn into pork, and so into money; forgetting that such a transmutation takes time and patience and skill. If so, let them remember that a vaulting ambition in money-making, as in every thing else, is pretty sure to over-leap itself and fall on the other side.

In conclusion, we are heartily glad that capable and scientific men are taking hold of the matter. Farmers in Iowa (and perhaps elsewhere) who have diseased hogs are requested to forward to Dr. Traer small quantities of the blood of such hogs, together with a plain and full statement of the keeping and locality. The blood will be chemically analyzed at the State Agricultural College. In this way, during the next year, doubtless, very much valuable information can be obtained.

Since writing the above, we find that Prof. J. B. Turner, than whom there is perhaps no more scientific and practical farmer in the land, claims that hog cholera is the result of over feed, and a constant and undue effort to fatten; that the hog is a natural scavenger, and should have more variety and offal for his food.—*Prairie Farmer.*

### Hay for Fuel.

The people of wide prairies of Minnesota seem to have solved the fuel question in a somewhat novel manner. If hay answers a good purpose for fuel in the intensely cold climate of that State, it certainly could successfully be used here. We clip the following extract from a letter which appeared in the Chicago *Times* from a correspondent writing from Mankato:

At Worthington, the seat of this colony, is a steam mill, that sends off by rail a hundred barrels of the finest and best flour manufactured in the State, daily. This mill is operated by steam, and the steam is generated by burning hay. To see the monster fly-wheel revolving at a speed of fifty times a minute, indicates a solution of the fuel question that has so long stood as a barrier to the settlement of our Western prairies. The universal answer of these settlers, when asked how they get along without wood or coal, is: "Oh, that is the least of the troubles. We find hay to be much cheaper than wood, even if we owned wood lots within a day's drive." The hay can be put in the stack at each man's door at a cost of less than two dollars a ton, and ten tons will furnish fuel for one stove through the Winter. And this hay the settlers put up while they have no other work to do, and would otherwise be idle. Ingenious individuals among these settlers have patented hay burning stoves, and machines for twisting the hay into the knots or sticks, and so tuck in the ends that they remain firm, though handled many times over.—*Iola Register.*

### Charcoal for Hogs.

Prevention is better than cure. It is far better to supply animals with what their systems need, than to have them become sick for the want of it. Some persons never think of giving salt to hogs, where they need it just as much, if not more than cattle, sheep or horses. They will not thrive well without it. But charcoal is also very desirable for hogs. We are reminded of this as we sit at the depot waiting for a rail road train. All along the railroad track, are hogs eating the coal that has dropped from the furnace of the locomotive. They eat the coal as they would eat corn. Have farmers never seen their hogs eat the coal in the ashes they threw out? For many years we have made a practice of burning charcoal for our hogs—not a large pit, but enough for the hogs for a year. This is fed to them occasionally, and they go for it, like children do for candy. They have had no hog cholera or other diseases. They have pure water, salt twice a week, charcoal thrown to them once a week, and they thrive and keep in good order all the while. If farmers would pursue a similar course with their hogs, we are sure that we should hear less about deaths from hog cholera.

### How to Estimate the Weight of Live Hogs.

The following rule for estimating the weght of live hogs we find in the *National Live Stock Journal*: "From the first 100 lbs. deduct 25 lbs. from gross; from the second 100 lbs. deduct 12½ lbs.; from the third 100 lbs. deduct 6¼. All over the third 100 is net. Thus a hog of 300 lbs., live weight, will give 256¼ net weight; and as a rule, 43¾ lbs. should be allowed for shrinkage on every hog of 300 lbs. or over. A hog of 100 lbs. will net 75 lbs.; one of 150 lbs. 118¾; one of 300 lbs. 162¾; one of 250 lbs. 209¼." This, of course, is only as close an approximation as can be given for the general average of hogs as brought to the market. If they are thin, there is more shrinkage. If large and well fatted, and especially if pure bred, they will often shrink even less. We have known instances where the shrinkage amounted to only one sixteenth of the live weight.

How to Get Rid of Them.—We urge the farmers to organize for a general and systematic war on the young grasshoppers, this Spring. Permit no burning of grass till the pests have all hatched out. We suggest that the County Commissioners fix upon a time for sweeping the surface of the County by a general conflagration of the grass. At night would be better than during the day, as the hoppers leave the fields and retire to the grass as night approaches. Ditching should be generally adopted. Two men with a long rope covered with hay or straw can clear a large surface of ground, and destroy the most with the necessary ditching.—*Wichita Beacon.*

The grape may be grafted, says a correspondent of the *American Agriculturist*, with success, either late in the Fall or early in the Spring:

Remove the earth for a few inches around the worthless vine, cut it off, and put in a graft of some valuable sort. Let the scion be of one good eye, and put in as an ordinary cleft graft; then protect it.

Reasons for Thorough Milking.—The last drawn milk of a cow is always the richest cream—hence the necessity of a careful and confidential milker.

# The Fun of the Thing.

### ABOU SAM TILDEN.

Abou Sam Tilden, (may his tribe decrease),
Awoke one night with a stentorian sneeze,
And saw within the blue light of his room,
Making it rich and like the violet's bloom,
Columbia writing in the book of brass.
An evil conscience made Sam Tilden brash,
And to the presence in the room he said,
"What writest thou?" The goddess tossed her head,
And with a smile betokening ill intent,
Answered: "The name of our next President."
"And is it mine?" asked Sammy. "Nay, not so,"
Replied the goddess. Sammy's head drooped low,
But cheekily still, he said: "By Cronin's nose:
An honest count I'll have, or come to blows!"
The goddess wrote, and vanished. The next night
She came again, in a great flood of light,
And showed by honest count, as sure as fate,
That Slippery Sam stood *seven*, and Rutherford *eight!*

### A DIRGE.

Put a way the little barrels,
Sammy emptied out with care;
Eight to seven was what upset him,
"He has climed the golden stair."

Put away the little laurels
That our darling used to wear;
Cronin's vote was only left him—
And no ace can beat a pair.

Listen to the fearful curses
That salute the eager air;
Sammy's gone—the jig is ended,
Gone to meet the bulldozaire.

When an inquiry into bank-accounts
Of Hayes and Tilden was before the House,
Of checks for bribery and what amounts,
Our Sammy kept as quiet as a mouse.
But after Congress voted not to do it,
Our Sammy shouted, jumping upon a chair,
"Slaves! we defy ye! Rar-r-r-re ye! me and Hewit!
We'll meet ye any time, and anywher-r-re!"

Respectfully referred to the Democrats who voted for the bill establishing the Electoral Tribunal:

"He digg'd a pit, he digg'd it deep,
He digg'd it for his brother;
But through his sin, he did fall in
The pit he digg'd for t'other."

The Washington *Nation*, with the Oregon case before the Tribunal, remembers Cronin's nose, and says feelingly:

Majestic beak! Amazing prow!
Bold shaft! Imposing prong!
Bold, bowsprit startling index point
Projecting strong and long!

Pelton—This little pig went to market;
Tilden—This little pig stayed at home;
Cronin—This little pig had roast beef;
Grover—This little pig had none.
Patrick—This little pig cries: "Wee, wee, I can't find my way home!"

### Scrooching a Little.

Miss Fitzaney, an elderly maiden, accused Mr. Cleaver, the gay young man who was accustomed to carry home her marketing, with having forcibly kissed her, in the entry of her own house. Mr. Cleaver, although proud of his personal appearance, was short, very short considering his whiskers; his height even in French boots only reached to four feet eleven inches. Miss Fitzaney, on the contrary, being fond of extremes, ran up a foot taller, and staid there, being of remarkably rigid deportment. She swore the amorous butcher kissed her by assault, and hauled him up for it.

Butcher, with some expression of disgust, more emphatic than necessary, denied the charge. Butcher was fat, lady was not. Cleaver had an antipathy to what he termed "scraggy" women, and vowed he hadn't kissed her, and would not. Money wouldn't hire him to.

But being cross examined, lawyer inquires of the lady of the circumstances, when, where, how, &c. Lady replies with peculiarity. On Monday morning at 10 o'clock, in the entry, resisted all she could, but he persevered and triumphed.

Lawyer asks, "did he stand on anything but the floor?"

"No, he stood on the floor; no chair, stool or anything else being brought into requisition."

"But, my dear madam, this is impossible! You are twelve inches taller than he. How could he reach your lips?"

Lady hadn't thought of that; but she was not to be trapped by the glibbest lawyer of them all. So she replies:

"Oh! ah! well, I know; yes, to be sure! But then, you know, "I scrooched a little."

"Exactly! thank you, madam. That will do. Nothing further, your honor."

Verdict for the short defendant.—*English Paper.*

The other day one of the clerks in a Cincinnati store found the porter crammed among the boxes down in the cellar, with pen, ink, and paper before him. "Writing a letter, eh?" queried the clerk. "Yes; writing to the old man in Buffalo." He handed up the half-written letter for inspection, and presently the clerk remarked, "I see you spell jug 'g-u-g;' that isn't right." "Of course not," replied the porter; "but you see I am writing to the old man, and he always spells that way. If I put the other 'g' to it, he would think I was putting on style over him, and forgetting that I was his son. He's good hearted, and I don't want to hurt his feelings." The letter went off with only one "g" at the end of "gug."

The Associated Press Man.—"Can't stop; I'm in an awful hurry, said a talented agent of the Associated Press, this morning. "Must get to the office right away, to send off the news. Yellow dog poisoned at the South End, and runaway team broke a store window on Hanover street." And the electric wire flashed the tidings over this broad continent. The colored voter of Louisiana wept over the fate of the yellow dog, and the frontiersman amid the wilds of Oregon laid aside his ax to read the thrilling account of the runaway. Such are the subtle links which knit mankind in firmer bonds of brotherhood.—*Boston Traveller.*

He Lacked Language.—A man who was being examined for school teacher in Maine, after stumbling through some simple arithmetical problem, was asked where Boston is. He answered, "I know all about it, probably just as well as you do; have heard of the place several times, but can't somehow or other seem to locate it." With a view of helping him out, the committee man said, "it is the capital of some State, is it not?" "Yes, I believe it is." "What State?" "Well, I know, probably as well as you do, what State Boston is the capital of, but you see I haven't the flow of language to express it."

"What iz this 'ere High-Jint Commission business, I've been a-hearin' on?" asked a Kansas farmer of his neighborly 'Squire, one day this week. "High-Joint Commission," repeated the 'Squire, slowly; "well, ez near ez I cood jedge, not hevin bin down to the corners to see no papers or nothin', I shud say it's suthin' ter see about exterminatin' the deuced grasshoppers." The farmer seemed satisfied with the explanation, and said he reckoned from the word 'high-jint' it meant suthin' 'bout 'hoppers."—*Chicago Journal.*

"Mother, where is the man going to sleep?" asked a girl of fifteen of her mother, who had just promised a traveller a night's rest in their out of the way hut.

"I'll have to put him in with you and Jack, and Kate, and Sue, and Bet, I suppose," was the reply; "and if it is too crowded, one of you must get in with me, and dad, and Dick, and Tommy, and the twins."

"And it was for this," a patriotic wife explained to her husband, the most enthusiastic Democrat in Burlington, "It was for this that you came home every night for six weeks with cloves on your breath and kerosene on your coat. Faugh-h-h!" And how sharper than a toopent's serth it is for a man to have somebody fondle him a kick when he is down.—*Hawkeye.*

"Ike," says Mrs. Partington, "who's this Electoral Bill that they're making such a locomotion about in the house of reprehensibles? If he's any relation to that Florida fraud Cronin, I don't wonder that they doubt his veracity, and have a tribulation of commissionaries on him."

"I had nine children to support, and it kept me busy," said Smith to Jones, as they met, "but one of the girls got married. Now I have ——" "Eight?" interrupted Jones. "No, ten—counting the son-in-law!" said Smith, with a sigh which might have been heard afar off.

Theatrical managers say that the Brooklyn tragedy keeps thousands of people out of theatres. It may be so, but distribute free tickets around St. Louis, and see who's afraid.—*St. Louis Globe-Democrat.*

The Fall River Aldermen require candidates for the police force to answer in writing numerous questions, one which is, "Can you write?" and another, "Have you ever had the piles?"

There may be something in this blue glass theory of Pleasanton's, but we are satisfied that a blue bottle fly will not "cure" meat.—*St. Louis Journal.*

She was plump and beautiful, and he was wildly fond of her. She hated him, but womanlike, she strove to catch him. He was a flea.

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