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Newspaper Laws and Regulations.

- 1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary are considered wishing to continue their subscriptions. 2. If subscribers order the discontinuance of their periodicals, the publisher may continue to send them until all arrearages are paid.

Notes on Live Stock in Winter.

The farm animals at this season are directly dependent upon the care and attention of the farmer. To pass the winter with profit they must be well kept. Animals are very complicated engines, and must be run by careful engineers.

Plantation Laborers.

Another chance for planters to secure good and reliable labor. The attention of planters is called to the fact that laborers of various nationalities, such as Swedes, Norwegians, Germans and French can be obtained by addressing Mr. Alfred Montague, care of the Commissioner of Emigration, New Orleans, La.

FOR RENT.

The well-known and centrally located business stand, under the Courier printing office, Main St., Opelousas. This stand is admirably adapted to any kind of business, and will be rented at a reasonable figure.

Many of our patrons are in arrears for subscription, advertising, &c., to this paper, and as we have been lenient with all such through the dull season, we hope they will now call and settle without further delay.

Jute and its Cultivation.

[Berleville South.] As the cultivation of Jute is attracting so much attention in our State, and in answer to the many inquiries addressed to us in relation to the manner of cultivation, preparation for market, etc., we have gathered all the information possible from Capt. Chas. A. Bruslé, who is the pioneer in this new enterprise.

Jute will do remarkably well in all lands situated in the alluvial districts of Louisiana. It grows well in our stiff black lands, but does better in our light, sandy soil. It obtains the height of twelve or fourteen feet in the former and from fourteen to sixteen feet in the latter.

PREPARATION OF THE SOIL.

Plow deep in the fall and in the spring harrow before sowing, when the ground is dry.

HOW TO SOW.

Sow broadcast if for fibre at the rate of from five to six pounds per acre. If for seed sow in drills, three feet apart, and two and a half pounds to the acre. After sowing harrow well until the seeds are covered. Use clean seed and be sure that your soil is free from noxious weeds.

WHEN TO SOW AND HARVEST.

Sow in March for seed or fibre. In the latter part of July your crop will be ready to be harvested for the fibre. If you sow for seed only it will be late in October before the crop can be gathered.

THE PROCESS EMPLOYED TO MAKE THE STAPLE MARKETABLE.

After cutting, the stalks are allowed to remain in the field not over a day, although two, three or four days would not in any way injure them. Steeping in water from eight to nine days prepares it for manufacture. When steeped in the Mississippi it required twenty days to prepare it. A pond of clear water is preferable. Dirty water will make the fibre of a dark color.

YIELD PER ACRE.

Two thousand pounds of fibre from the first crop and one thousand pounds from the second crop, is a moderate estimate.

QUALITY OF FIBRE.

The quality exhibited by Captain C. A. Bruslé in New Orleans was pronounced equal to Russian hemp.

REMARKS.

The Jute cut down July 20 yielded a fibre which was pronounced by competent judges in New Orleans superior to any India Jute. It was cut down fifteen days before flowering season.

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Highest cash prices paid for Moss, Hides, Wool, and all Country Produce.

ETIENNE LATREYTE, 6m Opelousas, Nov. 13, 1880.

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Of every description repaired. Old furniture made as good as new. All work first-class and warranted as such. July 30th

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Aphorisms From the Quarters.

Grubbin' a stump is a good way to whet up your 'ligion. Heap o' people rickerlee' favors by markin' 'em down in the snow.

Always drink pure water: many a man gits drunk fun breakin' dis rule.

A smart man aint gwine to buck 'gin a mudhole; he walks 'round it eb'ry time.

De sparrow-hawk would like to git a persion to 'tend to de chicken-yard an' keep off de minks.

De smoke-'use is safes' in de black-berry season.

Rain-drops can't tell broadcloth from jeans.

De black gum laugh at de red oak when de wood cutter comes 'round.

Waitin' on de table is a pow'ful way to get up a appetite.

De hen dat hatches out ducks is gwine to lose her chillin mighty quick.

Dar's nuffin 'bout thimbin' eorn in de spellin'-book.

Smart folks don't feel de deaf ob a live squeel.

De black-smoke keeps up wid de family secrets ob de settin' heus.

De fox wants to know how de rabbit's gittin' on.

'Taint mach diffence 'twix' a horbit an' a yaller-jacket when dey bofe get under your clo'es.

Some niggers got so much 'ligion dey want to hab Sunday eb'ry day.

It don't make much diffence 'bout what sort o' plow you use, ef you jes' had de right sort o' mule in front an' de right sort o' nigger behin'.

It puts you in a good humor to git hold ob a fat pig—specially right arter it's been bobbykewed.

De cotton-patch don't keer which way you vote.

You can't hurry up good times by waitin' for 'em.

A Connecticut pastor declined an addition of \$100 to his salary, for the reason, among others, that the hardest part of his labors heretofore has been the collection of his salary, and it would kill him to try to collect \$100 more.

A Physician's Advice of How to Gain Health.

HARRISBURG, PA., March 30, 1881.

Nothing is more charming and attractive than a healthy, brightly colored, perfectly formed woman; a bright-eyed, rosy laughing, joyous, happy-faced girl, one who finds keen pleasure in merely living. An invalid wife or mother is a constant object of sympathy in an otherwise contented household. Happy the home whose women folk enjoy perfect health. In my practice I have always recommended sickly women to use Brown's Iron Bitters. In case of irregularities, dyspepsia, indigestion, heartburn, nausea, sour stomach, nervousness and exhaustive debility, I find it exceeds all other remedies as a true medicinal tonic. It never fails to gently soothe, refresh and strengthen the general system, and especially those parts made weak by continued distress; and what satisfies me most is, that the cure, although in some instances gradual, is always permanent.—M. D.

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Are imported from Europe direct, such as Brass and Stringed Instruments, Accordions, Music Boxes, also Strings.

THE

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The only Upright Piano which will remain permanently in tune.

During the past five years makers of Piano Fortes have been making great efforts to produce an Upright which will stand our severe climate. They have used several devices, and have even tried (but have given it up) double iron plates. They have made their cases strong with immense blockings of wood, and still most of the Upright Pianos have not proved satisfactory for this reason: That the Tuning Pins in all of them are placed into a wooden plank which is wedged up to the iron plate, and which, at every change of weather, will shrink or swell, thus causing the piano to get out of order and out of tune.

THE MATHUSHEK

UPRIGHT PIANOS,

In this particular, are made with a thick iron plate drilled to receive wooden bushings at which the tuning pins are placed; thus the iron pins are held directly in the tuning plate and cannot move by any change in the wood-work.

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In tone, touch, workmanship and general finish, the Mathushek Upright cannot be excelled, and is now rapidly coming into use, and its popularity constantly increases. We will be very much obliged if you will call and examine these pianos. We also take old pianos in exchange at fair value.

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It would require too much time to give anything like an enumeration of my stock, and nothing short of a personal inspection will give an idea of its immensity. Call and see for yourselves. YOU WILL SAVE MONEY THEREBY.

Opelousas, Oct. 22, 1881.