

Poetical.
THE OLD FARM-HOUSE.
Out in the meadows far from noise,
Old and gray, and weathered;
Many a swallow fluttered
Whithering under the eaves
In the old chimney's hollow nest.

When the gray evening cool and still,
And the moonlight beams
Shine on the dew-drops
That glisten on the grass,
How sweetly we sit and talk,
And to our hearts we tell
Of the old days and the old times,
When we were young and free,
And the world was new to us.

FARMS OF CARROLL.
Written for the Democratic Advocate.
The Residence of the late Augustus Shriver.

Content.
Agriculture is the noblest employment of man. And agriculture is meant all that relates to the culture of the soil. The first born of man was a tiller of the ground. That was man's primal employment. He was an inventor and a mechanic, for he had to invent and to construct the implements by which his tillage was performed. They may have been rude and simple, and probably were, but they were sufficient for the needs of his day and generation; for we read that, "In process of time he brought forth the fruit of the ground an offering unto the Lord." What that crop was—brought forth by the hand of toil and the fruitfulness of the soil and the showers—was we are only told, in general terms, that it was "the fruit of the ground." It would be very interesting to us of the present day, if we knew what that crop was, and possessed the details of its tillage, its yield, the implements used in its culture, and the manner by which it was gathered, secured, after its maturity. These are things of which there is no record extant, and they are utterly lost to history.

There is not only health, wealth, comfort and contentment, but there is dignity in labor, of whatever kind. By we fulfill the laws of our being, as well as do obedience to the divine commandment—"In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread." The laborer of the field, the husbandman is the most dignified of all the varied employments of man. He is directly dependent upon the bounty of heaven, which giveth seed time and harvest, and the early and the latter rain. He is dependent upon the soil and the bounty of heaven for the sunshine and the shower, for the fertility of the soil and the vivifying power of the rain, which "first the blade and then the ear, and then the full corn in the ear." The consciousness of these great truths lends to the farmer a dignity and importance which belong to none other, and places him at the very foundation of business prosperity as well as of the whole social fabric. The right of property, also, the possession of the soil, gives him an appreciation of his position which is foreign to those who possess it not. Hence the farmer, like all men, are the conservators of the peace, order, and well being of society at large, the highest hope and chief dependence of the state.

This leads us to the consideration of the importance of the homestead, the farm and its appurtenances. The history of each farm or plantation is an integral portion of the history of the country at large. And a descriptive sketch of some of the most noted farms in Carroll is the purpose of the writer to present to the readers of the ADVOCATE in these papers.

The subject of our first sketch, which will be followed up from time to time by others, is that of the beautiful homestead of the late Augustus Shriver, formerly President of the Western Maryland Railroad, and also President of the First National Bank of this city, and President, up to the time of his death, July 28, 1872, of the Agricultural Society of Carroll county. This farm is known by the appropriate title of

barbed and barbed wire, and all other enclosures, the security of timber rendering desirable, and the economy and durability are also on the side of the hedge. Both of these farms have fine meadows, with running water through each, and are admirably adapted to dairy purposes. Twenty cows supply the milk for each dairy, while calves, fattings and other grades, swell the number to thirty or forty. This stock is not blooded or registered, but selected, short horns and country grades, selected as well for their size and beef production, as for their production of milk and butter. The horses, like the cows, are kept more for utility than for show. Six good sturdy draft horses for the plow and the wagon, and two good roasters, comprise the equine utility governing the choice in all cases, as a general rule. The swine are of the superior stock for which Carroll county is so justly celebrated, well housed and well developed. The poultry, like the cattle, is mixed, but large, the Asiatic breeds, particularly the Wares, are not only valuable for greater development, but to greater egg-production, and hence more profitable.

Carroll is one of the wealthiest and most populous counties in the State, and highly cultivated farms, such as farms the subject of this sketch, that swell to vast proportions their great aggregate of wealth. Mr. Augustus Shriver, some years before the war, produced on a single acre of this farm, one hundred bushels of corn. Such a crop was rare, at that time, and while, as he said, his statement of the yield had excited the incredulity of some of his neighbors, it has been so far exceeded since, that a single yield would not now be considered a matter of special wonder. Dr. Muse, of Cambridge, Md., many years ago, produced 112 bushels, and the crop was specially reported in the American Farmer, but Mr. John W. Murray, of Carroll, as a competitor for the prize offered by the Agricultural Society of this county, produced the remarkable yield of 152 bushels per acre. Mr. Edward Lynch, of this city, produced on a six acre lot, this season, an average of one hundred and five bushels per acre. These instances are mentioned by way of showing what can be done by fine farming, and to encourage the most thorough culture.

This sketch will be followed by others of a like character, describing a number of the most valuable and productive farms in this county, and the writer hopes to be able to present to each an interest that will fully repay perusal.

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JABEZ A. BUSH,
County Surveyor.

CHANGE OF TIME.
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ON and after Sunday, Nov. 23d, 1885, Trains will run over this road as follows:
PASSENGER TRAINS RUNNING WEST.
STATIONS.
Daily, except Sunday.

Station	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Hillens Station	8:00	10:00	6:00	8:00
Union Depot	8:10	10:10	6:10	8:10
Penna. Avenue	8:20	10:20	6:20	8:20
Fulton Station	8:30	10:30	6:30	8:30
Arlington	8:40	10:40	6:40	8:40
St. Johns	8:50	10:50	6:50	8:50
Howardville	9:00	11:00	7:00	9:00
Pikewille	9:10	11:10	7:10	9:10
Green Spring Cr.	9:20	11:20	7:20	9:20
Frederick	9:30	11:30	7:30	9:30
Union Bridge	9:40	11:40	7:40	9:40
Frederick	9:50	11:50	7:50	9:50
Frederick	10:00	12:00	8:00	10:00
Frederick	10:10	12:10	8:10	10:10
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