

**FARM ORCHARD AND GARDEN**  
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Kindness is the only means that it is worth while using to get even with another. It is all right to use this "on the other fellow, and do it first."

If forest fires are threatening in north, central and eastern states in May, what may we look for in late August and September if we should have a dry summer?

The finest beverage that the good Lord ever made is also the cheapest—H<sub>2</sub>O, otherwise known as plain water. Drinking it does not make a fellow see snakes, soften his brain, deplete his bank account or curse his family.

Now and then a pig will get thin and stay in poor condition simply because of poor teeing. We have seen hogs of this type being fed on ear corn that picked up right away when the same amount of corn or less was fed in the shape of meal.

The secretary of the Kansas state board of health contributes his mite to the solution of the omnipresent fly problem when he declares that flies can be kept away from kitchens and barns by painting them blue and by growing hops around the doors.

The toad has little to commend it in the way of looks, but in its quiet, sluggish way it renders a service to the tiller of the soil in the destruction of bugs, worms and insects that can hardly be measured. The small boy should be told of its usefulness and taught to protect rather than harm it.

Life is all too short to spend very much time worrying a fellow's patience and religion out of him with a kicking cow or a balky horse. The cow will fulfill her mission on the block in the butcher's shop, and as for the horse—well, sell him for just what he is to some one else who enjoys subduing brute ownership.

That a cow is better for a rest between her milking periods is nicely shown in the case of the world's milk and butter record cow, Colantha IV's Joanna, she being dry a full year prior to the interval in which she made her great record. The common cow giving an average yield of milk is the better for a couple of months' rest between her periods of lactation, and for the same reason as in the above instance.

A reader of this department asks what to do to get rid of moles. Perhaps it would be well first to find out whether the offender is really doing more harm than good, which is an open question. If the little chap is plowing up the lawn in bad shape and is not rendering a compensating service in flower or vegetable garden he may be dispatched by buying and setting one of the mole traps for sale at most any hardware store.

Charles Akeley, an American hunter-naturalist, recently shot in East Africa what is said to be the largest elephant on record. The great beast stood eleven feet four inches at the shoulder, and the circumference of a front foot was sixty-seven and a half inches, while the two tusks weighed respectively 95 and 110 pounds. The foot of Jumbo, the famous circus elephant, is said to have had a circumference of but sixty-one inches.

A lady friend who is interested in bird life tells us that a flock of about a dozen bluejays visited the neighborhood in which she lives the other day and played havoc with the nests of a number of other valuable birds. Collectively and individually the bluejays are outlaws and pirates in the bird world, and their nests and eggs should be destroyed, particularly when found in the vicinity of other useful birds like the robin, bunting and catbird. Added to this destructive trait which they possess, like the sparrow they render very-mesager service in the destruction of insect life.

Peanut butter is not only an appetizing food product, but very nutritious, and it is not difficult to make. The peanuts—meats—may be roasted in a moderate oven either before or after shelling, but in either case they should be stirred quite frequently to insure even roasting. The skins should then be rubbed off. The meats may be ground in an ordinary meat grinder by using the finest plate and should be run through a second time if necessary. If the butter is quite oily after grinding the only ingredient that need be added will be a little salt. If it is not as oily as desirable a little olive or peanut oil may be added.

If any of our readers have apple trees that rested last year and bore no blossoms this spring we would suggest they make an experiment with them in the matter of summer pruning, which means the removal during the latter part of July and early August of the limbs and newer growth that would normally be removed during the spring months. Pruning at this time speeded—summer—tends to check wood growth and to the formation of fruit buds for the following year. Often trees grow so thickly and vigorously that they will produce no fruit at all. Summer pruning is a sort of shock to the tree, and it is this setback that tends to the production of fruit buds.

It is a first rate idea to keep dishes of fly poison just outside the back door, for a dead fly looks a whole lot nicer there than he does in a frying pan, in a glass of milk or a bowl of gravy.

It is usually greedy folk—those who want to get something for nothing—that most often fall prey to multitudinous skin games. That is, they get plucked by a class of sharks who are busy at the same game as they are, the only difference being that the sharks succeed and wax fat on it.

The fear that is sometimes felt by the one just installing a silo that ensilage not used within a year may spoil does not seem to be justified in view of the experience of the Wisconsin station, where ensilage has been kept in excellent shape under proper conditions for a period of five or six years.

Time was when it was thought out of the question to separate little chicks any distance from a clucking old hen. Today literally tens of thousands of downy little fellows but a few days old are shipped by express from many big poultry centers and given the kindly and unloose housing of a brooder on arriving at their destination.

Thanks to recent alertness and activity on the part of the postal authorities, a whole lot of grafters who have been using the mails to misrepresent and defraud have been run to earth and in many cases have not only had to pay heavy fines, but many of them are now doing time in federal prisons. Let the good work go on, for there are still others who should be chased into the open.

From most points of view rats are an all around nuisance, but when telephone linemen lay wires in underground conduits they come in handy. A light cord is fastened around a rat's neck, and it is released at the mouth of the conduit. Instinctively it runs through to the other end. Here it is caught and the end of the string secured. This is used to pull a wire through the cable containing many wires.

A decision that is bound to have far-reaching effect upon the forest conservation problem and along the line of giving definiteness to the heretofore quite hazy relation existing as between national and state prerogatives was handed down by the supreme court of the United States a short time since. In brief it holds that the federal government without consent of the states affected may set aside vast areas of public lands and that when such reserves are created they are not subject to state fencing laws.

Notwithstanding the fact that we attribute so large a measure of the skill of birds to instinct, the fact seems to be pretty well established that both along the lines of nest building and song they are in a large degree imitative, learning the "how" by watching older birds of the same breed with which they are usually mated and by hearing their songs. It has been noted along a similar line that little chicks that are hatched in an incubator and that are not with a hen at all will not do one-quarter of the scratching that those will that are hatched and brooded in the usual way and have an example of scratching set for them.

The farmers living in Sangamon county, Ill., have organized an association whose watchword or slogan is "200 bushels of corn per acre." This smacks just a bit of the high school graduating motto, "Hit your wagon to a star," yet it has a deal in its favor. The country over the average yield of corn is thirty-five bushels per acre or less, while there are isolated instances where as high as 100 bushels per acre have been grown. It is clear that the Illinois farmers propose to do what lies in their power to better this thirty-five bushel yield. It would mean more corn in the crib and bigger bank accounts if every county in the corn belt had just such an organization.

In top working fruit trees of any kind (it is more frequently done in the case of apples) it is well to remember not only that stocks on which the grafting is done should be naturally vigorous and as hardy as possible, but that its rate of growth should be as nearly as possible the same as the variety with which it is top worked. A slow growing top on a more vigorous stock produces a tree that at best is unshapely and unaccount, but where the reverse is the case and the top far outgrows the stock the top of the tree is almost sure to split and break down in the course of a few years, particularly when loaded with fruit. If one does not know the relative vigor of the varieties he may desire to handle in the above manner as stock and scions he can secure the information from his nearest reliable nurseryman or from the horticultural department of the state experiment station.

**AN HERB INQUIRY.**  
A reader of these notes living near Valley Falls, Kan., a widow who has her own and her little daughter's support on hand, writes stating that she has no property, but believes she could make something by gathering herbs for medicinal purposes. She inquires especially about the burdock and horseradish, both of which grow plentifully in the locality in which she lives. The writer has never had any experience in the gathering and drying of herbs, but is glad to give the following data, taken from farmers' bulletin No. 188, entitled "Weeds Used in Medicine," which our correspondent can get by sending 5 cents in coin to the office of public documents at Washington. This describes some thirty kinds of common medicinal weeds and would be of value to any one desiring to gather them for market. As to burdock, the roots should be collected in the fall of the year from the larger plants that are in their second year. The roots should be washed carefully after digging, split lengthwise and carefully dried. This is best done by exposing

them to the heat and air (not direct sunlight) on racks or shelves or on clean, well ventilated barn floors or lofts. They should be spread out thinly and turned every day or two for from three to six weeks. If properly cured the roots should snap when bent. In securing the roots of any herb it is well to take special care in drying, as they will mildew and spoil if not properly cured. The roots shrink in weight about four-fifths and will fetch, cured, from 3 to 8 cents a pound. The burdock seed, for which there is a limited demand, should be secured as soon as it is ripe and brings from 5 to 10 cents per pound. The horseradish is a bushy, branching herb belonging to the mint family, and only the leaves and tops are used in medicine. These should be gathered just before the herb is in flower, the coarse parts being rejected. The leaves should be dried in the manner suggested for the burdock roots, care being taken to turn them when drying and to store so that they will not gather moisture. The price paid for horseradish leaves varies from 3 to 8 cents per pound.

**BENEFITS OF TILE DRAINAGE.**  
C. G. Elliott, drainage expert of the department of agriculture, has summarized the benefits derived from the drainage in the following paragraph. The reasons in favor of tiling given are so pertinent and plain that they might well be committed to memory by every farmer who has wet acres that are fetching him in little or no revenue: (1) In the land that is properly tiled the surface soil is retained entire instead of the finest and most fertile parts being carried off with every considerable rainfall. (2) Any plant food in manure or other fertilizer deposited upon the soil is carried into it with the water as it percolates downward from the surface, and so becomes thoroughly incorporated with the soil. (3) Rain-water as it passes through the soil serves as a most useful purpose by dissolving and preparing crude soil material for the nutrition of plants. (4) The soil having been well prepared, it is at all times during the growing season in readiness for the growth of plants, such growth not being hindered by stagnant water or saturation. (5) The frost goes out earlier in the spring, so that the planting season opens one or two weeks earlier than in the case of soil affected by surface drains only. (6) Where stiff clays are found the soil is made more porous, open and friable and roots penetrate more deeply than they do into surface drained soils. (7) The effects of drought are diminished, as has been found by experience, owing to the enlarged and deepened soil bed and to the more favorable condition of the surface for preventing excessive evaporation of moisture. (8) It aids in making new soil out of the unprepared elements, since it permits a freer entrance of air and atmospheric heat, which disintegrate soil material hitherto unavailable for the use of plants. (9) Stubborn and refractory soils when drained are frequently so changed in texture and mechanical structure that they become easily managed and respond to cultivation with abundant crops.

**FIGHTING QUACK GRASS.**  
There may be some readers who have a quack grass problem on their hands this season. If so they will be interested in the following directions for getting rid of it: Let the grass grow until blossom time, then cut close and make for hay before any seed develops. Plow to a good depth, using breaking plow if necessary, and disk repeatedly until a good seed bed is formed, raking up carefully and burning all roots left on the surface. Then seed heavily to rye or millet. When the cover crop is coming into bloom turn the whole cover crop under in the shape of green manure. Best results will be had with this plan if there is rain during the summer months, so that the cover crop will make a rank growth. If the fall is wet and there is some of the quack grass that shows a tendency to grow the field should be given repeated diskings to prevent the shoots or roots seeing daylight or air or having any "peace." Another plowing just before freezeup, which will expose the roots to the action of the frost, will usually give the finishing touches.

**Ab, If He Only Could.**  
Reporter (at door of mansion)—There is a rumor that Mr. Groatman has just died. Is that true?  
Butler—Yes; but he has nothing to say for publication.—Boston Transcript.

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Medford Grange will hold a Strawberry and Ice Cream Festival on the lawn of Dennis Smith, near Wakefield, Saturday, June 10.

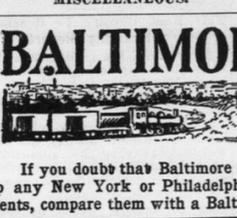
**FESTIVAL.**—The Ladies' Mite Society of Mt. Pleasant Church, will hold an ice cream and strawberry festival in the hall at Cumber, on Saturday, June 3. If the weather is unfavorable the first fair night. May-12-4t

**FESTIVAL.**—Pleasant Grove S. S. will hold an Ice Cream and Strawberry Festival in the grove adjoining the church, at Sandyville, on Saturday, June 3, commencing at 6 p. m. If the weather be unfavorable it will be held the first fair night of the following week. BERTHA MATTHEWS. May 12 3t

The Sunday school of Sandy Mount M. P. Church, at Sandyville, will hold an Ice Cream and Strawberry Festival on the lawn of the church, Saturday evening, June 10. If the weather should be unfavorable it will be held on Monday evening, or the first clear evening.

When?  
"Don't eat when you are tired," is the advice handed out by one of the health experts. When does he expect the woman who is doing her own housework to eat?—Chicago Record-Herald.

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