

THE FARMING WORLD.

THE AMERICAN FARMER.

He Can Secure No Reforms Save Those of His Own Making.

There are a good many discouraging things for the American farmer to contemplate at this time. Some of them are political, some economic, some social. Some are due to the selfishness and greed of man, some to corrupt influences in public places, some to ignorance as to remedies to be applied.

But the farmer cannot escape responsibility if he permits untoward conditions which are within his own control to continue. The other day a representative of the Farmers' Voice discovered a large farmer in the "corn belt" of Illinois who had stored up in his granaries three crops of corn—1894, '95, '96—and who would not sell a bushel because the price he had himself fixed three years ago had not been reached.

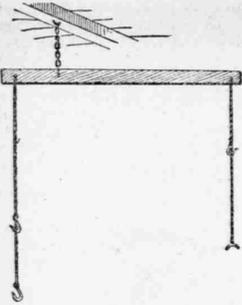
We talk of competition and the crowding of population. What will we do if we pursue present methods, when the population is numbered by the hundreds of millions? Let us learn now the lessons of intensive and economic farming—scientific farming—as practiced in the old world.

The greatest reform the farmer can ever secure will be of his own making. When American farmers adopt scientific methods there will be no hard times for them, and the American farmers who do practice this method now prove it.

WEIGHING DEVICE.

So Easily Made That Each Farm Building Should Have One.

Many times one wishes to swing a heavy article—a bag of grain or sack of potatoes—just clear of the floor, in order to weigh them. A handy device is shown herewith, the working of which can be seen at a glance. Two hooks in



HANDY WEIGHING DEVICE.

the long rope accommodate it for use with low or high articles, while a little hook well upon either rope gives a chance to hook the ends up out of the way when not in use.

HATCHING TOO EARLY.

Important Facts Which are Overlooked by Many Poultrymen.

If pullets are hatched too early they may molt in the fall, and for that reason it is not the practice to hatch them before March. This molting in the fall, instead of beginning to lay at that season, is the exception, and not the rule.

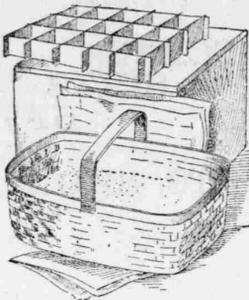
How to Fight Bog Lice.

I have been troubled a great deal to get rid of bog lice, and the best way I have found yet, that is a success, is this: my pigs are not troubled with them so much in the warm weather as cold; I put one-fourth kerosene oil and three-fourths water and a little sulphur, and when I have a warm day in the winter, apply behind the ears and front legs, on the flank and root of tail.

EGGS FOR HATCHING.

How to Pack Them So That They Can Be Shipped by Express.

Many poultrymen receive orders for eggs for hatching to be sent by express. It is of the greatest importance that such eggs should be packed in the very best manner, that they may go safely and hatch well after reaching the purchaser's hands.



DEVICE FOR SHIPPING EGGS.

basket, such as is figured, is filled partly full of chaff. In this is set a section of a pasteboard egg filler cut to the size needed for a sitting of eggs. Put in the eggs, small end down, and sift in chaff about each egg and about the ends and sides of the egg filler.

PERNICIOUS PRACTICE.

Overfeeding Spoils More Good Hens Than Anything Else.

Overfeeding is mostly done with soft food. It is placed in a trough and the fowls are allowed to help themselves, the consequences being that some get more than their share while others get much less, the fortunate ones becoming fat and lazy, and all of them reaching the same condition later.

The Importance of Shade.

Nature protects the soil from the burning rays of the sun by an impervious shade. Nature, by shade, by roots, by dead branches, by rocks and by leaves, throws obstruction in the way of evaporation and washings.

How Success is Attained.

Those farmers who are working with their heads are making no complaint, and whatever is heard of complaints comes from hand workers, and then only from the least skillful of these.

Fertilizing with Electricity.

Mr. Nikola Tesla, the electrical expert and inventor, has recently suggested the possibility of using electricity as a fertilizing agent for the soil.

Some Useful Poultry Foods.

The following are recommendations as useful poultry food: Cow's milk, barley middlings, buckwheat bran, barley bran, rye bran, coarse wheat bran, cotton seed, millet, wheat, turnips, cabbage, white clover and red clover.

TAKING OUT STAINS.

Information That Every Housewife Should Possess.

There is one branch of laundry work of which the genus washerwoman is woefully ignorant. It is also one of which the house-mother should be perfect mistress. I mean the taking out of stains. Mrs. Jones rubs a cake of soap over a brown teastain, or into a black ink spot, with misplaced zeal.

The alkali in her tablet turns the blot into a fixed stain at once. Now, all stains should, if possible, be dealt with while wet. Without fail they should be removed before being sent to the wash. That is why a lady's delicate fingertips and nicety of touch are more requisite at this stage of the art than in any other.

NOT IN HIS CLASS.

Representative Curtis Tells of Meeting a Pugnilest. Although some of them hit pretty hard, there is now and then a story on a member of congress that is actually too good to keep and he tells it, says the Washington Star.

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SIZES OF THINGS.

A span is 9 inches. A hand is 4 inches. A size in collars is 1 inch. The nail is 2 1/2 inches long.

AN INTERMITTENT HEART.

Stopped Every Third Beat.

But Mrs. Stroppe's Heart Now No Longer Lags But Beats Regularly.

From the Leader, Cleveland, Ohio. In a large, commodious house at No. 104 Huntington Street, Cleveland, Ohio, lives Mrs. Emily A. Stroppe, widow of the late X. M. Stroppe, and she is the mother of a young man who has been, and is now one of this city's successful and energetic pharmacists.

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THE MARKETS.

Table listing market prices for various goods like LIVE STOCK, GRAIN, FLOUR, etc., across different cities like CINCINNATI, CHICAGO, BALTIMORE, INDIANAPOLIS, and LOUISVILLE.

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Fits stopped free and permanently cured. No fits after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Free \$2 trial bottle, and treatise. DR. KLINE, 938 Arch st., Phila., Pa.

STAY THING.—Hilly—"I do hope that I can smoke in the next world." Dippy—"I've no doubt that you will be accommodated."—Detroit Free Press.

A. W. McCormick & Sons, Pension Attorneys, whose advertisement appears every other week in this paper, are at Cincinnati, Ohio, and Washington, D. C. They are thoroughly reliable.

Usually when a man defends other people he is defending something in his own past experience.—Acheson Globe.

We have not been without Piso's Cure for Consumption for 20 years.—LIZZIE FERRELL, Camp St., Harrisburg, Pa., May 4, '94.

"What a small mind Mrs. Venlyne has!" "Naturally. She has given her husband so many pieces of it."—Tit-Bits.

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"For 6 years had neuralgia." You haven't used St. Jacobs Oil to cure it.

To rob it of love is the greatest wrong that can be done a child.—Ram's Horn.

It may come last, but St. Jacobs Oil is the best to cure sprains. It ought to be first.

"Can you read French?" "Er—not aloud."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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Borrowed trouble is always the most burdensome.

Sarsaparilla Sense. Any sarsaparilla is sarsaparilla. True. So any tea is tea. So any flour is flour. But grades differ. You want the best. It's so with sarsaparilla. There are grades. You want the best. If you understood sarsaparilla as well as you do tea and flour it would be easy to determine. But you don't. How should you? When you are going to buy a commodity whose value you don't know, you pick out an old established house to trade with, and trust their experience and reputation. Do so when buying sarsaparilla. Ayer's Sarsaparilla has been on the market fifty years. Your grandfather used Ayer's. It is a reputable medicine. There are many sarsaparillas. But only one Ayer's. IT CURES.

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