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Renewing Worn Out Cotton Lands

Mrs. G. H. Muthis of Birmingham, Ala., the well known reclaimer of worn-out southern farms, for many years has built up the fertility of soil on her land by a system of cover crops and crop rotation which any tenant farmer in the South can follow and produce twice or three times as much cotton, grain or hay than the land produced before rotation was begun. Some years ago she bought 1,060 acres of badly worn-out mountain and flat land in Eastern Alabama for \$8.00 an acre. Crop rotation improved the land till it produced a bale of cotton an acre and she had the farm for \$40.00 an acre. She says any farmer can do the same thing.

A tenant on one of Mrs. Muthis' farms this year on 30 acres raised 18 bales of cotton, 20 bushels of corn, hay to feed his teams for a year, all potatoes and vegetables and meat for his family and received \$1,100 cash for his work, paying Mrs. Muthis \$34.00 cash, 125 bushels of corn, 3 tons of hay and 100 bundles of fodder. Another tenant farmer rented 46 acres, raised 20 bales of cotton, which, with the seed brought \$1,500. He also raised 600 bushels of corn, 150 bushels of sweet potatoes, two hogs weighing 300 pounds each, kept two cows and had all the truck from a garden. He got \$1,500, cash, the living for his family and the feed for his stock.

Mrs. Muthis' system is very simple. She begins the year's work in September when all land on her farms is turned with a two-horse plow and sub-soiled with a sub-soil plow with two wheels. The plows are followed by a disc harrow after which the land is compacted with a roller. Then the field is sown in crimson clover and hairy vetch, using 20 pounds of crimson clover seed per acre. In May the clover is turned under with a disc harrow and turned under with a two-horse plow. Cowpeas are sown on the freshly plowed land at the rate of 1 1/2 bushels an acre. On poor land the clay, long vine clover is sown and the whip-poorwill variety on land in fair condition. The cowpeas are cut up with harrow in August and the land turned with a two-horse plow, set to run from 6 to 8 inches deep.

In September the land is covered with the following seed per acre: Oats, 1 bushel; crimson clover, 15 pounds; hairy vetch, 10 pounds. Either the clover or the red rust-proof variety of oats is used. These crops are cut for hay early in the following June, and the hay is a profitable money crop. As soon as the hay is harvested the land is planted to corn and cowpeas, or any other crop desired.

Crimson clover and hairy vetch are again sown on the land in the fall. The following spring the land is planted to cotton and the upland will average a bale to the acre. Oats, with crimson clover and hairy vetch, are sown in the cotton rows after the first picking, and the rotation started over again. The acreage of oats, crimson clover and vetch to be followed by corn and cowpeas is varied somewhat each year to allow for the required area of vegetables, potatoes, watermelons and sorghum. Crimson clover is used in the place of crimson clover when found more

convenient.

The high returns secured under Mrs. Mathis' system are secured through the growing every winter of crimson or bur clover or hairy vetch on the cotton land and of raising cowpeas on all the land in corn. With this system, all land produces a cash crop and an enriching crop every year, and the winter growing crops prevent the loss of fertility from leaching that occurs every winter on most farm lands in the South.

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HOW TO GET RID OF LICE AND MITES

Press Bulletin by E. P. Clayton,
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Perhaps no other trouble will do so much damage in warm weather to Poultry as lice and mites. They breed rapidly and sap the vitality of both laying hens and growing chicks.

To rid the premises of them use one of the following remedies:

To one-half gallon carbolic acid add one pound of moth balls. When dissolved and well mixed, use a small paint brush and paint the roosts and nests well. Paint twice the first week and in about ten days paint twice again.

Do not set the hens for at least a week after the nest is painted if you expect her to live. The fumes are too strong for her. After a week she can stand them well.

The sitting hen should be well sprinkled with Pyrethrum Powders before she is set and once a week afterwards. If little chicks have lice on them they will stand around with wings drooped and finally die. Grease them on head and throat with some kind of grease. Press the feathers close to skin. The lice can now be seen. Pull them off with fingers and kill. Grease the mother hen under wings and on breast. Be careful. Too much grease will kill the little chicks but used judiciously will kill the lice and save the chicks.

Sprinkle the old hen every week with Pyrethrum Powders.

Clean the poultry houses, and paint with some cheap paint or whitewash.

The above remedies will save your poultry if followed according to directions.

Don't Sniffle!

You can rid yourself of that cold in the head by taking Laxative Quinine Tablets. Price 25c. Also used in cases of La Grippe and for severe headaches. Remember that. adv.

Sympathy Lacking Wit.
There is a mercy which is weakness, and even treason against the common good.—George Eliot.



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EVANGELISM AT KOREAN EXPOSITION

Missionaries Take Advantage of National Industrial Fair—Trained Natives Helping in South America—Building in the Orient.

In connection with the National Industrial Exposition held at Seoul, Korea, under Government auspices, the missions of the city have maintained an evangelistic hall with the consent of the government, and large success has attended the daily preaching of the gospel. "About 2,000 inquirers so far have expressed their desire to become Christian" writes a missionary, "and have been personally met and talked with in the inquiry room. The names and addresses have been taken and they are being followed up in all the various churches."

Trained Natives Helping in Rio
"Several churches make monthly contributions and a Bahian deacon continues to support a fine young man in the Rio ministry", writes Missionary E. A. Jackson, of the Southern Baptist Convention. "At the Arroz Nove Convention two young men, the brightest in the church, heeded the call to the ministry. One of them sold his land and horse to defray his expenses, the other led his classes soon after reaching the seminary."

"Four Bahia boys did good work at the Rio Seminary and three others helped with the city work while they studied at Pernambuco. Through



Wedding feast at Choi Keung-ho

the trained native the direct work of evangelization is largely to be accomplished."

Building in the Orient
The new Gamble Memorial Hall of the Union Methodist Theological Seminary at Seoul, Korea, has been recently dedicated. Bishop Hoss of the Methodist Episcopal church, South and Bishop Harris, of the Methodist Episcopal church, presided. The building is the gift of Mrs. Fanny Nast Gamble. There are 102 students in attendance at the university.

About the same time the cornerstone of the Pierson Memorial Bible School was laid by Dr. Robert E. Speer, Secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. This school will serve as a training school for lay workers and will also give Bible instruction to men preparing for the ministry. The funds for its erection, amounting to more than \$25,000 were contributed by friends of Dr. A. T. Pierson, founder and former editor of the Missionary Review of the World.

Free night classes in English have been opened in Petrograd Russia by the superintendent of the Methodist Mission in that city. The course includes practical lessons in conversation, reading from the English New Testament, and the singing of well known English hymns. Two classes have been formed, one for advanced students and one for beginners.

Writing from North Siam a missionary says:

The street chapel is proving a success. We have been puzzled what to call the place, a name for it, but that question has been settled, for us by the people. We keep medicines there for sale so we thought it might be called a dispensary. We have the main room supplied with tables, benches, and literature so we thought it might be called the Reading-room, but the people call it the Rong Pakat, the Preaching Hall. The side lines are only side lines to give the people an excuse for entering the place. It is open all day just like any other place of business and Elder Nan Punjah is on hand all the time attending to his business, preaching to the individual callers and groups of visitors who drop in from near and far.

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NOTICE OF SALE BY TRUSTEE

By virtue of the provisions of a certain deed of trust executed by J. R. Riley and his wife Etta Riley on the 19th day of January 1914, to secure the payment of an indebtedness therein stated and due to Pannell & Gidewell, same being of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Chickasaw County, at Houston, Mississippi, in Book 110, at page 457, of the records of trust deeds, and default having been made in the payment of said indebtedness, I, W. H. Deavenport, the trustee in said instrument, at the request of the beneficiaries, will offer for sale and will sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, within legal hours, in front of the Court House door in the town of Okolona, Chickasaw County, Mississippi, on the 6th day of December 1915, the following described property, to wit:

The North West Quarter of Section 16, Township Thirteen, Range Five East, and Seventy-Nine and one half acres of land on the North side of the South West Quarter of Section Sixteen, Township Thirteen, Range Five East, lying and situated in Chickasaw County Mississippi.

The title to the above lands are supposed to be good, yet I will convey only such title as is vested in me as trustee.

Witness my signature this the 4th day of November 1915.

W. H. Deavenport,
adv. Trustee.

Fish Rabid in Germany.
Over in Germany fish are reported to have hydrophobia, while here it's hard to get them to bite.—Pittsburgh Gazette-Times.

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In every age the vilest specimens of human nature are to be found among demagogues.—Lord Macaulay.

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