

Farmer's Column.



"SPEED THE PLOW."

There is little leisure time now for the farmer, who must see to the securing of his ripened harvests as soon as he commits to the earth the seed for future ones.

Wheat.

If not already seeded, should be gotten in without delay, that the fall growth of the plant may not be lost but develop equally, root and top. This enables it to tiller, and gives it a hold upon the earth which fortifies it to resist thorough preparation of the land, and the seeding should not be done until this is complete. If the sowing is delayed an addition to the fertilizer employed of some nitroous material is an advantage, as its stimulating influence will be useful in promoting the full growth of the crop, and thus make some amends for the retarded seeding. Peruvian guano, well-prepared fish scrap, ammoniated superphosphates, can be used with good effects.

Rye.

Should have gone in earlier, but the drought has prevented seeding in many localities. Where it is possible to do it, it should be sown at once, and any addition of fertilizing ingredient and improvement in the better preparation of the ground will be found to tell in the crop.

Roots and Pumpkins.

Should be harvested and put away before frost, and care should be taken not to let them get bruised in handling, as this results in their decay.

Fall Plowing.

The controversy as to the benefits or the reverse of this still continues, but in practice most farmers will find it to their interest in forwarding work to break up soils of a tough texture and expose them to the meliorating influence of the winter's frosts and thaws. Plants-food is made available and soluble by the influence of the season.

Lime.

May be applied now and give quicker results than when used in the spring. It should be put on at the surface and kept as near it as possible.

Tobacco.

The crop is about being housed, and there is nothing more to be done than to keep the tobacco houses closed in damp and open in dry and bright weather. Ground leaves should be tied up and prized as early as practicable, as they sell by far better in the fall.

Live Stock.

Will require more attention now as the night get colder and longer, and this attention it is necessary should be given by the owner or some one with a direct interest in its well-doing. It is worth remembering that an animal in good condition at the start will keep in good health and vigor on less food than will be required to bring it up again if it once falls off and runs down in flesh.

Be careful to give the cattle some dry food when the pastures fall off, even if it is only a run at the straw pile, and do not neglect to provide shelters against storms and high cold winds, now liable to prevail. Where pumpkins have been raised now in the time to feed them, as many are lost if kept. In feeding to sows with young pigs remove the seeds, as they are diuretic in their quality and affect them injuriously. Pumpkins are very helpful in starting hogs intended to be killed for pork this fall, but they should have also good rations as corn. This if a good season for thinning out your cows and getting rid of the poor ones. Lambs should be kept in a pasture separate from the older sheep and fed some bran or corn and oats mixed as they need this help to the growth of their frames.

Care of the Buggy.

We lay it down as an axiom that the farmer who cannot afford a cover for his implements and vehicles has no business with a buggy. A buggy is too frail and delicate to stand heat and storms. The buggy must be kept housed when not in use. When brought out of the house it should be dusted off with a feather duster. If it comes home muddy it should be cleaned before putting in the house. It may be inconvenient but in the end it will pay. There is no need of taking it to a creek, and thereafter taking it with the old scrub broom. Take a bucket or two of water and a sponge and gently wash the top, then the bed, and wring out a chamois and wipe so no water stands on the varnish. Whenever water dries on varnish it will lose its lustre. A bucket and a sponge and chamois and feather duster are as necessary adjuncts to a farmer's buggy as a wrench.

A careful man will have his buggy look neat and last three times as long as the class ill afford to buy a buggy and harness for pleasure. And neither he nor any other farmer can afford to neglect and destroy them. Wastefulness tread on the heels of extravagance, and the model farmer will not tolerate either on his premises.

Advertisement for Lumber, Shingles, Sash & C. by Geo. F. Stinson & Bro. Includes 'Lumber King' logo and 'Low Prices' text.

Advertisement for Iron, A True Tonic, A Perfect Strengthener, A Sure Reviver. Includes 'Iron Bitters' logo and 'Brown Chemical Co.' text.

Advertisement for Wheat, Best Goods, Lowest Prices. Includes 'Wheat' logo and 'Brown Chemical Co.' text.

Advertisement for Fertilizers, To Wheat Growers. Includes 'Excelsior' logo and 'J. Q. A. Holloway' text.

Advertisement for 'Excelsior' & Ammoniated Phosphate. Includes 'Excelsior' logo and 'J. Q. A. Holloway' text.

Advertisement for J. Q. A. Holloway, Excelsior Guano, Ammoniated Bone Superphosphate. Includes 'Excelsior' logo and 'J. Q. A. Holloway' text.

Advertisement for Ready Made Clothing, Adrian Posey, Attorney at Law and General Claim Agent. Includes 'Ready Made Clothing' logo and 'Adrian Posey' text.

Advertisement for Port Tobacco Times, Published at Port Tobacco, Charles County, Md. Includes 'Port Tobacco Times' logo and 'Every Friday' text.

Advertisement for T. Norris & Co., 49 South Calvert Street, Baltimore, Md. Includes 'T. Norris & Co.' logo and 'Established 1847' text.

Advertisement for W. M. Smith, Virginia Ave. and 27th St., N. W., Washington, D. C. Includes 'W. M. Smith' logo and 'Good Work, Low Prices' text.

Advertisement for John H. Jenkins, Cab Net Maker and Undertaker, Port Tobacco, Md. Includes 'John H. Jenkins' logo and 'Cab Net Maker' text.

Advertisement for John R. Hare, No. 63 Fayette St., Baltimore, Md. Includes 'John R. Hare' logo and 'Cheapest Stock in the City' text.

Advertisement for Read This! The Clothier and Hatter, A Large Illustrated 30-page Paper. Includes 'Read This!' logo and 'The Clothier and Hatter' text.

Advertisement for Dr. A. D. Cobey, Professional Services to the People of Charles and the adjoining counties. Includes 'Dr. A. D. Cobey' logo and 'Professional Services' text.

Advertisement for Blacksmithing and Wheelwrighting at Pomponky. Includes 'Blacksmithing and Wheelwrighting' logo and 'Pomponky' text.

Advertisement for Spring & Summer Millinery, Having again received a complete assortment of Baltimore and New York Millinery. Includes 'Spring & Summer Millinery' logo and 'Having again received' text.

Advertisement for Hallock's Improved Hand Seed-Drill, Also a Choice Stock of Vegetable and Flower Seeds. Includes 'Hallock's Improved Hand Seed-Drill' logo and 'Also a Choice Stock' text.

Advertisement for F. M. Cox, Attorney at Law, Glymont, Charles Co., Md. Includes 'F. M. Cox' logo and 'Attorney at Law' text.

Advertisement for New Departure in the Flour Trade, Cheap and Direct Communication. Includes 'New Departure' logo and 'Cheap and Direct' text.

Advertisement for Enterprise Lime Kiln, Pure Oyster-shell Lime, Enterprise Lime Kilns. Includes 'Enterprise Lime Kiln' logo and 'Pure Oyster-shell Lime' text.

Advertisement for Fine Watch Repairs, At Trade Prices, Cleaning \$1.50, Mending \$1.50. Includes 'Fine Watch Repairs' logo and 'At Trade Prices' text.

Advertisement for John R. Hare, Cheapest Stock in the City, de 17-17. Includes 'John R. Hare' logo and 'Cheapest Stock in the City' text.

Advertisement for Read This! The Clothier and Hatter, A Large Illustrated 30-page Paper. Includes 'Read This!' logo and 'The Clothier and Hatter' text.

Advertisement for Dr. A. D. Cobey, Professional Services to the People of Charles and the adjoining counties. Includes 'Dr. A. D. Cobey' logo and 'Professional Services' text.

Advertisement for To My Friends & Customers, I have leased No. 98 N. Gay Street and added it to my Stove and Tinware House. Includes 'To My Friends & Customers' logo and 'I have leased' text.

Advertisement for R. A. Golden, Formerly of Charles County, Grocer, and Commission Merchants. Includes 'R. A. Golden' logo and 'Formerly of Charles County' text.

Advertisement for The Best of All Liniments for Man and Beast, For more than a third of a century the Mexican Mustang Liniment has been known to millions all over the world. Includes 'The Best of All Liniments' logo and 'For more than a third of a century' text.

Advertisement for Mexican Mustang Liniment, Mustard Liniment, The Best of All Liniments for Man or Beast. Includes 'Mexican Mustang Liniment' logo and 'Mustard Liniment' text.

Advertisement for The Best of All Liniments for Man or Beast, Spring & Summer Millinery. Includes 'The Best of All Liniments' logo and 'Spring & Summer Millinery' text.

Advertisement for Mrs. J. V. Smoot, Port Tobacco, Md. Includes 'Mrs. J. V. Smoot' logo and 'Port Tobacco, Md.' text.

Advertisement for J. M. Laroque's Anti-Bilious Bitters, For Dyspepsia, Nervousness, Bilious Attacks, Headache, Constipation, and all Diseases of the Liver and Stomach. Includes 'J. M. Laroque's Anti-Bilious Bitters' logo and 'For Dyspepsia' text.

Advertisement for Carriage and Wagon Making and Repairing, Also Undertaking at Cox Station. Includes 'Carriage and Wagon Making' logo and 'Also Undertaking' text.

Advertisement for Thomas C. Price & Co., Commission Merchants, 50 South Charles Street, Baltimore, Md. Includes 'Thomas C. Price & Co.' logo and 'Commission Merchants' text.

Advertisement for Country Produce! The Place is, de 17-17, Between the Bridge and Front Street, Baltimore, Md. Includes 'Country Produce!' logo and 'The Place is' text.

Advertisement for Buy Our Lumber, Shingles, Athes, Sash, Doors, Bricks, &c., at Low Prices from Saml. Burns & Co. Includes 'Buy Our Lumber' logo and 'Saml. Burns & Co.' text.

Advertisement for George A. Shehan, Extensive Dealer in All Kinds of Lumber, Shingles, Lathes, Lash, Doors, Blinds, &c. Includes 'George A. Shehan' logo and 'Extensive Dealer in All Kinds of Lumber' text.

Advertisement for B. F. Peake, Dealer in Doors, Sash, Blinds, Hardware, Paints, Oils, Leads, Cement, Lumber, Calcined Plaster, Slate Mantles, Hearths, &c. Includes 'B. F. Peake' logo and 'Dealer in Doors, Sash, Blinds' text.

Advertisement for Cor. King & Pitt Sts., Alexandria, Va. Includes 'Cor. King & Pitt Sts.' logo and 'Alexandria, Va.' text.

Advertisement for Carriage Builder, Thomas E. Young, 464 Pennsylvania Avenue. Includes 'Carriage Builder' logo and 'Thomas E. Young' text.

Advertisement for J. T. Beckham & Co., Commission Merchants, No. 27 King Street, Alexandria, Va. Includes 'J. T. Beckham & Co.' logo and 'Commission Merchants' text.

Advertisement for W. B. Waddey, Boots and Shoes, 110 King Street, Alexandria, Va. Includes 'W. B. Waddey' logo and 'Boots and Shoes' text.

Advertisement for Dr. K. J. Munro, Graduate of Harvard University, 1868. Includes 'Dr. K. J. Munro' logo and 'Graduate of Harvard University' text.