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Better Farming in 1910—Some Ways in Which We Shall Try to Help You.

Timeliness is so strong an element in the make-up of *The Progressive Farmer and Gazette* that we cannot announce very long in advance the good things we plan for our readers. One of the definite things we have already worked out is a series of articles—

MAKING MONEY WITH LIVE STOCK IN THE SOUTH.

This notable and exhaustive series of articles which will run throughout the year will be prepared by Editor Butler. This series of articles will begin in our next issue, and some of the early subjects treated will be as follows:

- I.—The Natural Adaptability of the South to Stock Raising.
- II.—Why Live Stock Should Be Grown on Every Farm.
- III.—Why a Pure Bred Sire Should Always Be Used and Hints About Purchasing.
- IV.—Why We Should Breed More Hogs.
- V.—How to Start Breeding Hogs.
- VI.—The Value of a Pure Bred Boar, and How to Get Him.
- VII.—Why We Should Breed More Dairy Cattle.
- VIII.—How to Start Breeding Dairy Cattle.
- IX.—The Value of a Pure Bred Dairy Bull, and How to Get Him.
- X.—Why We Should Breed More Beef Cattle.
- XI.—How to Start Breeding Beef Cattle.
- XII.—The Value of a Pure Bred Beef Bull, and How to Get Him.
- XIII.—Why We Should Breed More Horses and Mules.
- XIV.—The Value of a Pure Bred Stallion and Jack to Every Neighborhood.
- XV.—How to Start Breeding Horses and Mules.
- XVI.—How a Flock of Sheep May Be Made to Pay on Every Farm.
- XVII.—The Value of a Pure Bred Ram, and How to Get Him.

A fuller announcement as to the articles on Breeds, Feeding, Care, and Management of each class of stock, will appear later.

"\$500 MORE A YEAR FOR THE SOUTHERN FARMER."

The Editor-in-chief has also had charge during the year of our notable

series of articles on "\$500 More a Year for the Average Southern Farmer and How to Get It." This series has probably attracted more attention than any other series of articles ever published in a Southern farm paper and so great has been the interest in it that we have decided to continue the series through 1910. In each issue we shall take up one of the liveliest and most pressing farm problems of the time and will endeavor to give actual instruction—not mere exhortation and preaching

- V.—By Buying Seeds Right.
- VI.—By Growing More Feed Crops.
- VII.—By Adapting the Crops to the Soil.
- VIII.—By Making the Right Kind of Seed Bed for Every Crop Before Planting.

FOR OUR WOMEN READERS.

For a long time we have wanted to redouble our efforts in behalf of the women on the farms, and at last

daughter as the other pages are to the farmer himself.

A woman of unusual intellectual ability, scientific training and personal charm, Mrs. Stevens is already known to many of our readers through her work at the Women's Institutes, and her whole heart is in the splendid work of co-operating with our farmers' wives in making our Southern farm homes the brightest and happiest in America. On page 9 Mrs. Stevens gives a list of the practical subjects she will first take up, and the entire series should be closely followed by every Southern housekeeper.

OUR PROGRESSIVE FARMER AND GAZETTE BOYS.

Mrs. Stevens will write for the farmer's wife, and there will be a separate corner for the little folks, but we are going to have in 1910 a special department for the farmer boys who are big enough to do some farming themselves. This department begins in this issue with a very interesting report of the four Southern farmer boys who made the biggest corn yields in Virginia, South Carolina, Mississippi, and Arkansas, and were signally honored in Washington City the other day. We hope all our *Progressive Farmer and Gazette* boys who can do so will join one of the corn clubs, and we expect soon to announce some special prizes that we will give to boys reading our paper who make the biggest yields.

HEALTH TALKS AGAIN.

If one-third of the deaths on the farm are due to preventable diseases,
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OUR NEW HEADING

This paper will hereafter be known as the PROGRESSIVE FARMER AND GAZETTE, instead of the "Southern Farm Gazette" as heretofore. There will positively be no change in the policy, aims, location or management of the paper. It will continue in the future, as in the past, devoted especially to the agricultural interests of the states of Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, Louisiana and East Texas.

The modification in name is solely for business reasons and advantages, relative to the matter of foreign advertising.

TAIT BUTLER, Editor-in-chief.

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—but actual instruction about some matter about which the farmer needs information right then—information based on the accumulated experience of all the best farmers and agricultural scientists especially adapted to our Southern climate, soils, crops, and conditions. Here we shall endeavor not merely to tell the farmer what to do, but to give him a grasp of the great principles of modern, scientific agriculture so that the farmer may work out his own problems intelligently from them. We print herewith a list of the subjects for January and February, and the later articles will be no less timely and practical:

- I.—By Winter Plowing.
- II.—By a System of Cropping That Will Earn Work for Men and Teams Every Day in the Year.
- III.—By Producing the Crops at Less Cost.
- IV.—By Preparing the Work Stock and Implements for the Spring Work.

we have made arrangements which insure us the best conducted woman's department in the South. Mrs. F. L. Stevens, of the North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical College, is to have charge of our Home Circle Page in 1910, and we hope that every woman who reads our paper will rally to her in her efforts to make that page as helpful, instructive, and inspiring to the farmer's wife and

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