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The Horse Review says that Junction (Ohio) has sold the mayor of one with a lot of the available aldermen. Allerton is 10 years old and no more are ever needed the village made under there years of age.

There is possibly no class of live stock that depends more for profit upon the breeding in the young than does the tenths of the dissatisfaction and failures in breeding to trace back to the progenitors of the dam that is permitted simply through carelessness.

There are numerous schemes on foot to sell to Utah people stock in rubber plantations in Mexico. While the rubber proposition may be all right, the most glowing prospectus yet offered does not set forth as good inducements as an orchard of red winter apples in Utah or Idaho.

Up in Oregon a good many farmers grow peas for hog-feeding and allow the hogs to harvest the crop. There is absolutely no waste in this method, since the hogs eat every pea and also eat every portion of vine. Pea pork is the finest and sweetest hog meat known.

There is no better time than now to level ground that has been fall-plowed. Just watch for the first dry spots after the snow melts away and those are the points that need to be taken down. This is a job almost equal to a civil engineer, and a whole lot cheaper.

It has been decided to pull out about one-third the acreage of the Lower Bear River orchard, west of Corinne. Owing to the very flat surface there is insufficient drainage so that the fruit trees on the condemned portion are possibly subject with alkali. The ground will be needed to irrigate.

The rubber roads in fair from Brigham City is something enormous, especially during the panic season. Last summer there were about 50 wagons loaded and started north each day to dispose of fruit in the various of Idaho and Wyoming. As a rule the fruit sent out by this method is not good enough to pack on the city market.

Word comes from the Agricultural college that there are prepared for bidding (prepaid) individuals who know. That is in line with what the Inter-Mountain Farmer has been saying all along, and we are glad the college authorities have concluded to carry out the law providing for Farmers' institutes.

The land in Utah that is devoted to ditch banks and willow fence rows on the average farm would, if cultivated in strawberries, yield revenue sufficient to pay the taxes of the farm. Of course ditch banks are necessary, but as a rule there is few times the ground occupied taken up with the ditch and weeds.

The Cache Valley Farmer seems to demonstrate that the sugar company pay $5.5 per ton for beets or the same a beet price of $10 and it cost considerably more than half of sugar since 12 per cent is the limit. The refinery to be a most remunerative business and will probably be conducted by the sugar company.

If the manure on the farm cannot be kept under cover so it cannot leach the stable, it ought to be kept up so as to be spread on the ground surface as possible and thus prevent evaporation. Water for commercial purposes of sulphate are not to be used it will pay to water, for almost every crop in this section, so as to get the manure in place.

No person should be allowed when cutting out an orchard because cut of house the last of the month. After waiting for the trees to stop sap flow, cutting so as to give a space between the trees and then proceed to transplant the orchard in two months the sap is rising in the great majority of cases. In some cases the place where cutting out a long time, based principally upon.

It is now generally conceded that sugar plants importation is to Utah. A sugar is simply product of the manufacture. Utah is a great producer of beet sugar, and that is just what the farmer wants, and that is just what the sugar company wants.

Some persons exist themselves to keep their cellars warm, even going to the extreme of shutting off all ventilation. It is well known that apples and potatoes will keep better and longer at 35 degrees than at 32 degrees from pressure. Make the cellar dark, but give it good ventilation. In an old-fashioned cellar a stove built entirely above ground is preferable to one that extends upward from somewhere in the middle.

Dealers say that the Thanksgiving trade has about exhausted the turkey stock in Utah. There will be a few turkeys left for Christmas, but the main supply will be brought in from Kansas. It is time it is wondered why Utah farmers do not grow more turkeys. No fowl pays better for market and the few difficulties here in Southern Utah seem to be overcome.

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Mr. John L. Wilson of Ogden set about of his nonsalate and water improved his water ditch by laying a pipe behind and close to the ditch throughout its entire length. One especially advantageous feature of the ditch is that there are no unsightly banks covered with weeds. The appearance alone if there were no other considerations, amply repays for making up a ditch.

The prospects for next year's water supply grow brighter each week. The moves in November have piled up to the depth of several feet in the mountains and the ground was saturated before the snow came. In the valleys the ground has frozen up well, which is a most favorable condition. Surely the most resourceful Utah farmer can not have the face to grind about the outlook at present.

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