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THE FARMER FEEDETH ALL.

My Lord rides through the palace-gate, My lady sweeps along in state, The sage thinks long on many a thing, And the maiden muses on marrying ; The sailor plows the foaming sea. The huntsman kills the good red deer, And the soldier wars without a fear : But fall to each whatever befall, The farmer he must feed them all,

Man builds his castles fair and high, Wherever river runneth by; Great cities rise in every land, Great churches show the builder's hand, Great arches, monuments and towers, Fair palaces and pleasing bowers : Great work is done, be it here or there, And well man worketh everywhere, But work or rest, whate'er befall. The Farmer he must feod them all.

ORCHARD POLICY.

I was talking with a fruit grower of three score and sixteen years, a few days since, on this subject. This old fruit-grower has now over one hundred and fifty varieties of apples in cultivation, and has grown hundreds of varieties of pears, while in cherries he is second to no man in his knowledge and extensive practice therewith; and in peaches, plums, and the small fruits, each year of his life has found him possessed of new varieties to test and compare with those already before the public. So that I felt his opinion was worth gathering.

The result of our talk was an emphatic remark that " he who thinks to grow fruit in an old settled or cultivated country, after

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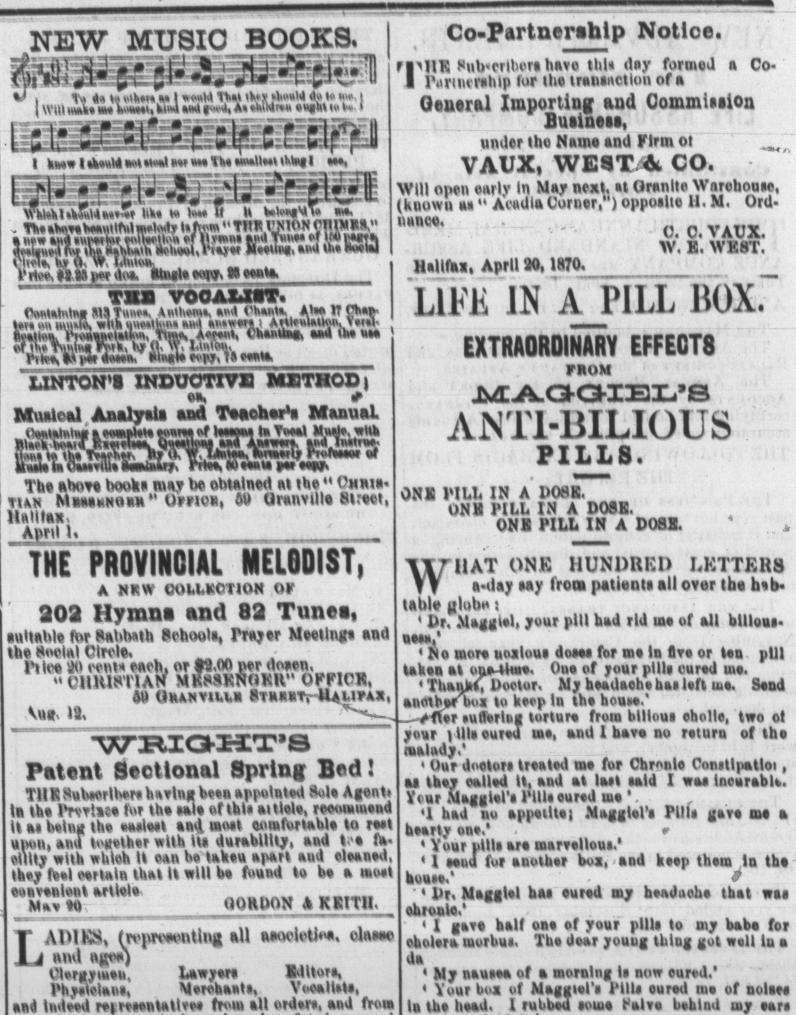
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Occupy each plot of land separately to one variety of fruit, rather than mingle pears among apples, peaches among cherries, or even small fruits, as raspberries, blackberries, etc., or strawberries among grapes, as many advise. Give the land to its specialty, care for that and that alone, and a paying success will result, nine years out of ten.

I thought of these remarks, looked around my neighborhood, and counted who grew fruit, fair and good and profitable, and who failed and grumbled because his gooseberries did not bear much, or his currants did not pay,-there was either too much shade or something; his apples were all wormy,-and I found my counting gave each time the lack of culture and attention as a specialty to the last named, while the successes were all in the hands of those who attended to their fruits as to the growing of a premium crop of corn.-Cor. of Rural N. Y ..

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