# Agriculture, &c.,

THE COMING SPRING.

MRS. HEMANS.

I COME! I come! ye have call'd me long, I come o'er the mountains with light and song : You may trace my step o'er the wakening earth By the winds which tell of the violet's birth, By the primrose-stars in the shadow grass, By the green leaves opening as I pass.

I have breathed on the South, and the chestnut

By thousands have burst from the forest bowers: And the ancient graves, and the fallen fanes Are veil'd with wreathes on Italian plains :-But it is not for me, in my hour of bloom, To speak of the ruin or the tomb.

I have look'd on the hills of the stormy North, And the larch has hung all his tassels forth; And the fisher is out on the sunny sea, And the reindeer bounds o'er the pastures free; And the pine has a fringe of softer green, And the moss looks bright where my foot hath

TO KEEP BIRDS FROM SEED CORN.

A good plan to keep crows and other birds from seed corn, and one, of the efficacy of which we can speak from personal experience, is thus described in the Country Gentleman:

"The plan generally adopted by the farmers of this country, to prevent blackbirds from pulling up corn in the spring is: Put the corn, say one-half a bushel, in a tub or other convenient vessel, and pour over sufficient hot water to cover it; and let it stand a few minutes, or till the corn is thoroughly warmed; then drain off the water, and pour over the corn a very little gas or coal tar, which has been previously warmed till it is thin, and with a stick stir it thoroughly, which will give every grain a thin covering of the tar; lastly dust over it some dry plaster or earth, to prevent the grains adhering together, and stir again.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION AT A MEETING OF DAIRYMEN:

1. The comparative profit of dairy farming, and its advantages in maintaining the fertility of the soil.

2. The selection and feeding of dairy stock to secure the largest amount of prof-

3. Cleanliness of the dairy operations, utensils, and healthy cows necessary to the production of good butter or cheese.

4. The advantage of selling the milk at the farm over that of making butter, considered with a due regard to the value of the whey and skimmed milk.

GRAIN-FIELDS, it bare, should looked to, to see that the water-furrows are free, and that the soil is not likely to be washed by spring rains. If the grain is much heaved by the frost, it should be rolled as soon as the frost is out, and the ground is settled enough. It clover-seeding is intending, the seed may be sowed before rolling. It will probably not start before settled warm weather. Top-dressings of bonedust, ashes. fish-guano, fine, rich compost, Peruvian guano, or good superphosphate, will do much toward resuscitating grain which the winter has used roughly, and may be put on poor spots.

WEAR KNEES .- A correspondent over the signature "South Dumfries" makes enquiry about a horse which is troubled with weak knees. "The only description." he says, "I can give you of the trouble is that he shakes at the knees." Moderate work and plenty of nourishing food, together with good grooming and hand-rubbing of the legs, are the best remedies for weak knees.

To CURE A BAULKY HORSE, take him from the carriage and whirl him rapidly round till he is giddy. It requires two men to accomplish this, one at the horse's tail. Don't let the horse step out, but hold him to the smallest possible circle. One dose will often cure him; two doses are final with. the worst horse that over refused to air.

The Prussian Government has just adopted an extensive scheme for improving the breed of horses of all classes, by encouraging the formation of local associations for the purpose.

Farming rarely secures large fortunes, but it does better by producing a vast number of medium ones.

A thin coat of melted lard, applied with a brush to the body of an apple tree, will keep away rabbits.

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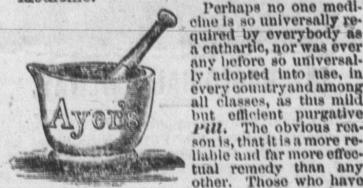
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