

FARM AND DAIRY.

This column is devoted to agricultural subjects, and the editors will be grateful to farmers if they will use it for the intelligent discussion of matters pertaining to their important calling.

A Pointer for Eggs.

Take some clapboards and make a shed seven feet long and five feet wide. Set some uprights in one foot from the edge of the shed all around. Have the shed four feet high in front and two feet high behind; close the back up solid and then put a strip a foot high around the base of the upright pieces. Then gather a lot of tree leaves and fill in the enclosure, say six inches deep with them, and every morning throw a few handfuls of grain in among the leaves. Go on about your business then, and the chickens will also go to work. They will thresh that pen of leaves up and down, and about the greater part of the day. It will give them fine exercise, making their eyes bright and their combs red. It will also make the hens lay better than anything else you can do for them during the cold weather. The object of the shed is to keep the leaves dry in bad weather, and the uprights are set in a foot all around, excepting the back, and the foot-high baseboard the same distance with the same object in view. A low shed is much better than a high one for this purpose, as it is warmer and shuts the wind out more effectually. Persons who have no faith in a scratch-pen as an egg-producer should try it once and be convinced of its value in that respect. It is particularly effective with the larger breeds that are inclined to take on fat for the want of exercise. The work of scratching among the leaves for grain will make a Cochino or a Brahma look more trim than anything else we know, for we have tried it.—*Farm, Field and Fireside.*

Contracts With Farm Laborers.

In employing farm laborers it is always advisable to have a written contract. In this should be specified the terms of agreement, which will be binding on both parties. Thus the question if a hired man should have his wages and board paid for during a temporary disability by sickness would be settled by the agreement. As a rule, the man is paid only for the time he actually works, and when he is idle, for whatever cause, his board is charged to him. It would be most advisable for every employer to make a written agreement with his workmen as to all the various causes of dispute that arise during the working season.

Practical Atheism.

There is a great deal of honest doubt among men, but there is also a great deal of doubt which has its roots not in speculative but in practical atheism; for every man who violates the laws of life, which are also the laws of God, is to that degree an atheist. Whatever may be his profession, as a matter of fact he does not believe in the existence of those laws, and certainly that they are to be executed, or he would not violate them. The only men who are competent to have or to express a judgment about the nature and ends of human life are those who live in absolute obedience of the laws of life. A man of unsound mind is incapacitated from having any opinion concerning the moral action of the mind, and a man who is continually violating the moral laws of the world, and so throwing himself out of harmony with that world, is not in a position to comprehend it or to pass judgment upon it. Personal righteousness is the first step toward a clear vision of things, and a healthy soul is the only one which has any right to speak of the ends and the nature of human life.

It is because so many lives violate the fundamental laws of living that there is so much doubt abroad, and that so many men are asking the question whether life is worth living. We are so accustomed to the presence of sin, and to contact with it in others, if not in ourselves, that we are apt to lose the consciousness of its real horror; for one of the worst results of sin is the numbing of the moral consciousness, so that a man comes to accept low standards, and often vile standards, as if they were normal. There are a great many men who disbelieve in God and in the reality of the moral and spiritual life because they have destroyed their power of seeing these things. A high moral aim steadily pursued constantly clears the vision and gives the judgement increasing soundness, but deflection from the moral law means a growing defect of vision and a diminishing power of sound judgment. It is impossible to divide a man into two parts, and to keep one part sound while another part is unsound. A corrupt nature cannot see with clear eyes, for when one part of a man becomes tainted every part of him shares in the pollution. A large part of the theoretical atheism and a great part of the practical doubt now in the world would disappear if individual lives were brought into harmony with the moral and spiritual laws.—*The Outlook (Evangelical).*

"What's Dick doing now?" "Well, Dick he's a doctorin'." "And John?" "He's a horse tradin'." "And William?" "He's a savin' of souls." "And Tom?" "Well, Tom—his sorter politicianin' aroun'." "And you?" "Well, I'm sorter farmin' an' a-feedin' of Dick, an' John, an' William, an' Tom."

Protection in a Nut Shell.

[CONTRIBUTED.]

The Carleton county man has a horse to sell. He cannot sell his horse to any of his neighbors in Canada, for the reason that his neighbors in Canada have horses to sell themselves, and notwithstanding all the talk about the English markets, they don't seem to want many of our horses; so the end of the matter is that the Carleton county man must take his horse across the line to sell. So we will say he goes from Woodstock to Houlton, and for the privilege of selling his horse to the protected American buyer he pays twenty dollars out of his one hundred dollar horse. He then invests his eighty dollars in kerosene oil. After he arrives home in Carleton Co. he there pays the protected oil man of Cantwenty dollars or more for the privilege of carrying his oil home with him, which further reduces the price of his one hundred dollar horse to sixty dollars. The Carleton Co. man then invests the sixty dollars that is left of his one hundred dollar horse in another horse which he take to Houlton and pays the protected American buyer ten dollars for the privilege of selling in Houlton, which leaves the Carleton Co. man fifty dollars out of his one hundred dollar horse. The Carleton Co. man then invests the fifty dollars that is left of his hundred dollar horse in kerosene oil again, brings it home and pays ten dollars to the protected oil man of Canada for the privilege of doing so. The Carleton Co. man would then have forty dollars left out of his hundred dollar horse. The free and independent voters of this county can easily figure out how long this kind of buying and selling would continue until the Carleton Co. man would be reduced to a very small pony indeed. MAC.

A STEP FROM INSANITY

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Postmaster P. J. Kilbride, of Inverness P. E. I., owes his life and present good health to the life-giving powers of Paine's Celery Compound.

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"Today I feel myself a new man. Six months ago I was on the brink of insanity; my nervous system was completely broken down; I could not sleep more than one or two hours at night, and often did not sleep four nights in succession. Oh! I can never describe the agony I suffered. I was almost reduced to a skeleton; could only work an hour, when I was so fatigued I would be obliged to lie down and rest before I could resume work.

"The use of your Compound has given me rest and sweet sleep, and I can now work all day. To tell the honest, candid truth I have not felt so well for fourteen years. When I commenced taking Paine's Celery Compound my weight was 144 lbs.; now I weigh 168 lbs. I am gaining in flesh every day; my friends are all surprised at my wonderful cure and changed appearance. Oh! if had only known of this life-saving remedy years ago, I would have escaped many days and nights of terrible pain and agony. Thank God the terrible times have passed, I hope never to return. How I wish I could reach the ear of every man in Canada—those who are suffering as I once suffered—how I would plead with them—yes, on my knees I would ask them to give Paine's Celery Compound a fair trial and I feel confident they would bless me afterwards for my recommendation.

"Young men, take my truthful and candid advice; if you are suffering from a broken-down nervous system, use Paine's Celery Compound; it will thoroughly restore you physically and otherwise.

"I am now in perfect health through no other agency than Paine's Celery Compound. You may use these statements as you choose."

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Perished in the Smoke.

A young man named Oliver Lawton was suffocated on Wednesday night last while attempting to rescue a horse from his burning barn, situated on the Black River road about five miles from St. John. A correspondent to the Sun tells the sad tale.

Oliver Lawton and his brother Fred were engaged stowing a load of straw in the barn, and as it was quite dark, had a lantern hung close by the place where the straw was. The lantern was knocked down some way and the straw was set on fire. The flames spread with such rapidity that the brothers saw it would be useless to attempt to put them out. There being no hope of saving the barn, the two set to work to get the stock out. Two horses and some twenty head of cattle were rescued by them. Neighbors were arriving on the scene in large numbers all the time, and of course they lent a great deal of assistance. But now the barn was a mass of flames and the smoke so thick that the crowd had to stand back from it. There were still in the barn a horse and two cows. Oliver Lawton started in after the horse, but he was stopped by a neighbor named Culley, who said it was madness to think of such a thing. Young Lawton would not listen to this gentleman or anybody else that remonstrated with him. Into the barn he dashed, determined upon the rescue of the remaining horse. As he did not come out at once, some of the people standing by, and there must have been seventy-five of them, tore several boards off the barn where the horse stood. Nothing could be seen of either man or horse. A couple of men poked their hands in and they came in contact with the horse's body. The animal was dead, having been smothered by the smoke. Just behind the horse lay young Lawton. He was pulled out as good as dead from suffocation. He was carried into the house, where he died fifteen minutes later.

Fred Lawton almost lost his life while assisting in the rescue of the cattle. He got out just in time, as he was almost suffocated. Oliver Lawton, who was about 22 years of age, was one of the finest young men in the county. He was liked by everybody and was of great assistance to his widowed mother.

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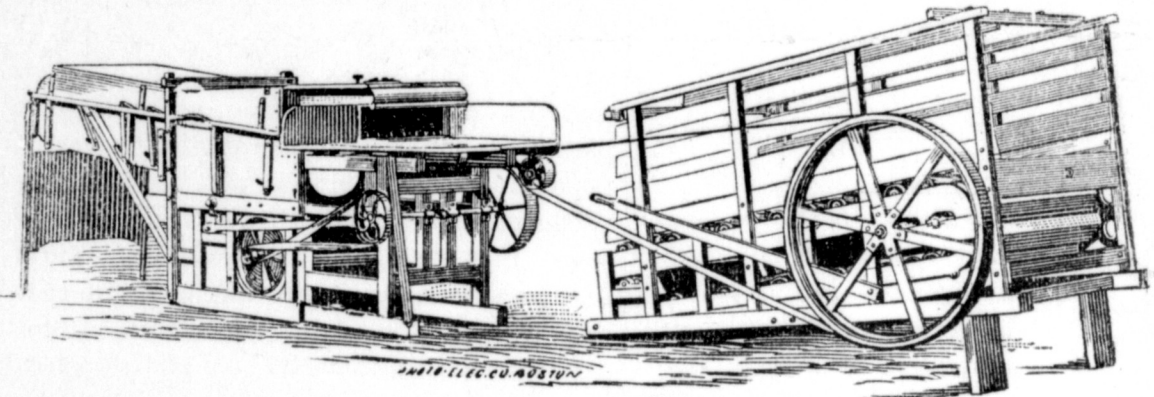
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