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BEAUTIFY YOUR HOMES.

Now when the busy housewife is house cleaning and beautifying the home it is a good time to remind the male portion of the household to the fact that we have the most beautiful river in the province the historic Miramichi. If everyone would consider it their duty to keep their own premises clean and attractive and see that the piece of roadside or street in front of their property was kept clean it would be a long step in the way of improvement.

It is unfortunate that some people think that it is nobody's business but their own whether they keep their premises in a disorderly condition or not.

We are pleased that the people in this district are taking a step in the right direction.

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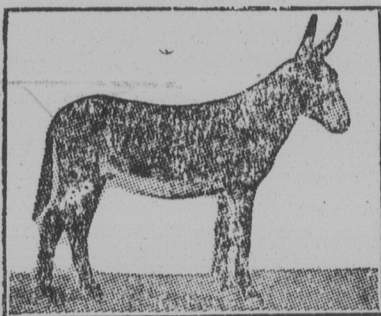
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OF INTEREST TO FARMERS**CONCERNING THE MULE.**

Animal Much Appreciated Where He Is Best Known.

More than any other animals mules will reflect the disposition of the people who handle them. I do not know why this is, but it is true. If I see a good mule I know at once that the people who handled him when he was small were horsemen, writes an Iowa correspondent of Breeder's Gazette. "A vicious mule, one that kicks and bites, indicates that his first owners were cruel with their stock. Where a mule is allowed to develop naturally he has



Those who are familiar with mules say there is never any trouble with them if they are treated right from the time they are small. More farmers ought to raise them. Mules are not only good animals to have on the farm, but there is always a demand for them, and they always bring a good price. The jack shown herewith comes from a noted family. He is a two-year-old by Bourbon, Jr., out of Lady Artist.

a great many good qualities that horses do not have. In the first place, he is not nervous. He does not get excited over every little thing and work himself into a lather and wear himself out. He is tough. Many a good mule can stand it to work against two ordinary horses.

A mule can travel on the road or work in the field all day and at night when he is turned out, if he has had kind treatment and care, he will go off into the field kicking up and shaking his head. It is very seldom that you see a mule that will run away. He is too curious. His curiosity is always greater than his fear. If he sees anything that frightens him, instead of running he will slowly go up to it. A mule has better sense than a horse about feed and drink. He will never eat when he is tired or drink when he is too hot. For this reason a mule team is always better for a hired hand to use, because if the hand does not know what is best for them they will take care of themselves.

The people of Missouri have always realized the worth and value of the mule. They not only enjoy many advantages from breeding mules, but they are reaping pecuniary profit as well. From 150 miles north of the Missouri river down to the southern part of the state the people drive mules and use them for every purpose. We saw fine mule teams hitched to buggies and women driving them. You see fields in that state with seventy and eighty mules in them. Missouri has a worldwide reputation as a breeding ground for fine mules, and so also has Kentucky. Some mules in those two states stand nearly seventeen hands high and have the neck and legs of a thoroughbred horse with depth of chest and body. In the south the general verdict is that for strength, endurance and kindness, for general utility purposes, the mule is head and neck ahead of the horse.

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