

The Old Farm Home. An old farm house with meadows wide And sweet with clover on every side-A bright-eyed boy who looks from out The door with woodbine wreathed about And thinks this self-same thought all day: "Ah, could I go far, far away From this dull spot the world to see, How happy, happy, happy, How happy should I be!"

Amid the city's constant din, A man who round the world has been Amid the tumult of the throng Keeps thinking, thinking all day long: "Oh, could I only tread once more The field path to the farm-house door-The old green meadows could I see, How happy, happy, happy, How happy would I be!"

Managing the Meadow.

Many meadows and pastures are destroyed by bad management. The farmer is in too great a hurry to realize from his investment and does not give the grass an opportunity to become fully established, cattle being turned in to trample the field at a season when the ground is wet, or graze it closely when the land may be in need of rain. When grass is seeded in the fall it starts off soon in spring and makes rapid growth, offering a strong temptation for the use of stock, but it will be found better to allow the grass to grow and mow it once for hay, so as to induce it to thicken and stool, but to have it trampled or cropped close by cattle and sheep the first year is to do it more injury than can be regained during the life of the meadow or pasture. The first year's management is very important, and the rule to follow is to allow the grass to become firmly rooted and to make as much growth as possible before mowing or pasturing it, care being taken that the grass is cut before it bears seed. As there will be different kinds of grass, it will be well to mow as soon as the early seeding kinds begin to seed. With white clover the seeding is unimportant, as it is a short grass and may not remain unless under favorable circumstances. Before seeding the land an application of wood ashes harrowed in will be found excellent, and lime is also beneficial.-Philadelphia Record.

Leaf Mold from the Woods, which to grow flower plants can be

could be made into cost more than it was worth. So we used to kill the runt pigs, believing that the care and teed the runt would require could be much more profitably given to the thrifty pigs in the same litter .- American Cuitivator.

Alsike Clover.

There was a time some fifteen years ago or more when the common red clover seemed doomed to destruction by a worm which bred in It, and so ate leaves and blossoms that the plant humor, your blood is not pure. If you take could neither grow vigorously nor produce seed. But we hear little of this pure and promptly relieve all these troubles. clover worm now, as it has generally been destroyed by a parasite that preys upon it. Alsike clover was not injured by this enemy. Therefore for a few years Alsike clover became quite popular. But it dies out entirely after blossoming and seeding in June of the second year after it was sown in early to find."-C. W. Carey, Prineville, Or. spring. Alsike clover is probably the best accompaniment of timothy. If both are sown together the first year, only the Alsike can be mowed. But after this clover is off the timothy will make a strong growth, and a cutting of a ton of timothy per acre may be got Hood's Pills are the only pills to take in the fall from land that had already borne an Alsike clover crop earlier in the season.

Warmth from Germinating Seeds. One of the aids to the preservation of seeds sown in early spring is that the swelling and bursting of the seed necessary to put out the germ is always accompanied with considerable warmth. It is accompanied by the creation of a little carbonic acid gas, which is never separated from organic not pose unless he were paid for it, and the tender. matter without at least partial decomposition. So soon as roots put forth from the young plant they carry this not forthcoming, he would deliberately carbonic acid gas to their tips, and this walk to the farther end of the enclosure also partially decomposes the soil that and turn his back. The only way to they come in contact with. When the get a drawing of this big fellow was to blade first appears above the surface it calls on the root for moisture, and as the root takes moisture from the soil anusually interesting sight one morn-the latter is thereby made dryer. It is ing. A little subbar with a large also warmed as well, for in early spring marrow bone in his shaggy paws was the outside air is nearly always warmer than the soll, and to dry it is also to warm it.

The Life of Peach Trees.

It is an almost universal complaint that peach trees do not last as long as they used to do. We do not believe that this is on account of the weather, because late winters certainly have not been so destructive as many that occurred thirty to forty years ago. The increase of borers and of fungous diseases, in which we include the yellows, are, we think, mainly responsible for the change. By keeping borers out and dressing heavily with potash manures, peach trees may be made much longer lived than they used to be. One of the secrets of the longevity of oldtime peach trees was that they were never severely pruned, and never produced heavy crops. The old-time 30year-old peach trees had a tall trunk with very little top.

Early Weeds,

There are weeds that come earlier than the crops, as the many varieties when in the studio. They are as much of them are adapted to cold weather, interested in you and the surroundings One of the best foundations for a bed warm weather, dry seasons, rainy as you are in them. This is especially spells, and they spring up readily in



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ANIMALS AS MODELS.

Some of the Experiences of an Artist in Sketching From Life.

Leaves from the Sketch Book of an Animal Artist," is an article by Meredith Nugent in the St. Nicholas. Mr. Nugent says: There was an elephant in the Jardin-des-Planets that would paid in advance. Then he took payment in buns and pie, but if these were engage some one to feed him meanwhile. In the same gardens I saw an resorting to all sorts of bear devices to get the sweet marrow. Suddenly he lay down on his back, placed one end of the bone in his jaws, and with his hind paws tipped the other end of the bone so high up that the choice morsel slipped into his mouth. If the animal could only have understood the shouts of approval that greeted this performance, I think it would have turned his head. In one of the sketches you will see how this feat was accomplished. As a rule I find the models very good natured. True, they keep a sharp eye on me for the first few days, but after that are generally quite friendly. Of course, there are some parts of the business they do not like. The oriole never was happy when I held him in my hand for close inspection, but a beautiful cst which rebelled when I first placed her in a bird cage-to keep

her in front of me-grew so fond of being there, and after I finished my drawings she oried and cried to be put back into the cage. Intense curiosity is the great characteristic of animals the case with birds. Leave the studio legged fellows are hopping into everything. Of course they inspect the paper on which you have been drawing, and the paints, and the brushes, and occasionally vary these proceedings by taking a bath in the water bowl.

Church Built of Coral. A church built of coral is one of the curiosities of the Isle of Mahe, one of the Seychelles islands in the Indian oc an. The Seychelles islands, which are supposed by many to be the site of the Eden of Ohl Testament history, form an archipelago of one hundred and fourteen islands, and are situated about 1,400 miles east of Aden and 1,000 miles from Zanzibar. They rise steeply out of the sea, culminating in the Isle of Mahe, which is about 3,000 feet above the level of the ocean, and is nearly the center of the group. All these islands are of coral growth. The houses are built of species of massive coral hewn into square blocks, which glisten like white marble, and show themselves to the utmost advantage in the various tinted green of the thick tropical palms, whose immense . fernrilla as the best medicine that it is possible like leaves give pleansant and muchneeded shade. These palms grow as high as 100 feet and more, overtopping both the houses and the coral-built church. They line the seashore and cover the mountains, forming in many places extensive forests.

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Police as Shark Catchers. Among the multifarous duties which payments .- N. Y. Sun.

For many years Theodore S. Parvin, of Cedar Rapids, Ia., has been gathering works on masonry, and now has a collection of them numbering over 30,000 volumes.

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easily secured in most country districts soils that contain the elements best but a few minutes, and these twoby going to the woods and finding in suitable for their existence. It requires hollows, or on the sides of old trunks very little effort to destroy weeds when of trees, the mold that has accumulated by the rotting of forest leaves that have fallen after blowing over them. Only that which has been well rotted will be worth taking home. Last year's leaves have not decomposed enough yet. That which is found in deep masses, where the soll is wet, just beginning to germinate. should be avoided, as the fact that the land around it is wet shows that it is sour. The very best of all is found in the deep hollows of stumps. Here it has had only the rain and snowfall of winter to wet it, and there is usually an outlet beneath to carry off all surplus water. This leaf mold, though black, is not so rich as it looks. It is besides too light to be used as soll without some heavier soll being mixed with it. If some commercial nitrogenous compound is used in the flower bed made thus it will produce a wonderful growth and bloom.

is kept loose the weeds will not secure a hold, as every working of the ground with the harrow or cultivator destroys thousands of weed seeds that may be

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Locate the Underdrains.

Wherever an underdrain has been inid, either a map of the ground should be drawn, or such other memorandum as will enable the owner of the land to always know where it may be found. There is nothing more provoking to the buyer of a farm that is only partly underdrained than his inability to decide just where the old drains are located and what size conduit they have. Of course, the drain, if in working order, will show within two or three rods where tile or stone may be found. But to reach it then requires much needless digging, which could all have been avoided if the man who laid the drain had been careful to make a record of its location.

Value of a Good Garden.

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The Runt Pigs.

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they are coming up and beginning to grow, but they are very persistent after they become established. If the ground

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Large Millet.

To grow a large crop of millet plow the ground early, manure it and work in the manure with a cultivator. After people like to regard everything they frost is gone work the land again with a harrow and sow the seed. After it gets a good start it will keep the weeds ovator, a kidney stirrer, a lung balm, down by crowding them out. Millet is or a stomach soother. I much prefer to a summer crop and will give a good consider them as real good, palatable yield of hay when some other crops fail.

Home-Made Noodles for Soup

The Runt Pigs. In nearly every litter of pigs there will be one and sometimes two pigs that are so much smaller than the rest that unless taken out and fed sepa-rately they will be undersized all their with a spoon, then sift in more flour rately they are tried so often to make Was have tried so often to make that are so first in a make rately they will be undersized all their that are so first in make rately they will be undersized all their in with and, stiff enough to roll, but be that are so often to make that are so first in make that unless taken out and fed sepa-rately they will be undersized all their that are so often to make that are so first in make that unless taken out and fed sepa-rately they will be undersized all their they are tried so often to make they are tried so often to make they are tried so often to make they are tried so they the make they are tried to the they are they are tried to the they are the they are tried to the they are tried to the they are they are the they are they are tried to the they are they are the they are the they are they are the t lives. We have tried so often to make | careful not to use too much. When something out of runts, and have ai- rolled out leave it to dry, after which

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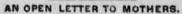
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