He found them spinning wedding-robes, He left them digging graves; High over faces pale and wrung The earth heaped up its waves. He struck the baron at his gate, The peasant at the plow, And from his sable banner shook Darkness on every brow.

At this time in belfry-room Five sextons drained the wine, Red from the toil that brought the fee And made their old eyes shine. Their seats were cedar coffin-planks, All velvet-trimmed and soft; The chalice-cups by them defiled, Were filled and emptied oft.

They drank "A long reign to King Plague" "A wet year and a foul!" As screaming through the open loops Flew in and out the owl. Their shirts were made of dead men's

(Dead men are meek and dumb), And each one wore a dead knight's ring Upon his thievish thumb.

Down from the boarded floor above The heavy bell-rope swings, It coils around the bowls and flasks, The cups and drinking things. The cresset throws a gloom of black Upon the red-tiled floor-Three faces dark-on two the lights Their golden lustres pour.

Beside the table sink the steps That lead into a vault-A freasure-house no thieves but five Dared ever yet assault. And through the darkness to the left Winds up the belfry stair-Up to the old bell-chamber-

Up to the cooler air.

The wall was hung with coffin-plates, The dates rubbed duly out (Dead men are very dull and slow In finding these things out). They toast "The Doctors of Cologne, Who keep the church-spades bright!" Such toasts as these, such feast as that,

Were fit for such a night. Far, far above among the bells The sleet upon the baggar fell, And stabbed him carte and tierce. There was a pother in the roofs, And such a clash of tiles, That dying creatures' sobs and groans

Were heard around for miles. They drink to "Peter and to Paul!" And "All men underground!"
Then with a laugh, and wink, and nudge The passing-bell they sound, They drink to the tree that gives the

And the tree that guards the dead-The coal-black tree with the blood-drop fruit,

So poisonous, soft and red. Is God, then, sleeping? No! See there,

How one tears at his throat, Bids all his fellows note. A plague-spot, blue and swollen, Shows ghastly on the skin, And on his knees he prays to Christ To yet forgive his sin.

Dead! And the eldest, tolling The rope that o'er them hung, Called, with a curse, "Lads, fill your cups, Let another song be sung!" Then reels-his white face sickens, And as he staggers down, Another drags at the heavy bell Stamped with the cross and crown

So every time a toper fell Another rose to toll, And all the rest screamed out a dirge For the sinner's passing soul, And round they stirred the gallon jug, And high they flung the cup; With half a song and half a prayer They tossed it, filling up.

Now but one left, and he, though faint, Staggers towards the rope, And tolls-first draining cup and bowl. Half dead, without a hope-Tolls, till the old tower rocks again-Tolls, with a hand of lead-

Then falls upon the wine-drenched Upon his fellows-dead! -Walter Thornbury, in San Francisco

EVA'S AMBITION.

Eva Norrington inserted her latch key into the keyhole of a Bedford square boarding house, and entered. It was a dismal, windy, rainy November evening, and ever since lunch she had been paddling about London, climbing grimy stairs of newspaper offices, and talking to people who did not seem especially pleased to see her. Her skirts were wet, and a wisp of damp hair was tumbling over her eyes.

On the hall table, disclosed by the flickering gas jet, were some letters "A year ago to-day!" said Eva to herself as she closed the door against the wind. "Has he written, or has he for-

He had not forgotten. Eva picked up the letter from the hall table, looked quickly round at the closed hall door, and at the baize door that led to the kitchen stairs-and kissed it. Then she went up-stairs to her bed-sittingroom with the letter in her hand and foy in her heart.

"Hateful little room!" she murmured to herself, as she struck a match and lit the gas. "But it's the last time. thank God!"

The room was not really bad; a bec in the corner, a wash-stand, a wardrobe, here and there a picture on the walls, and a table by the window, rather rickety, on which lay a heap of man uscript-a half-finished story.

"I will burn that before I go to bed to-night," said Eva, as she caught sight

Then she took off her hat and cloak, drew the only easy chair under the gas jet and sat down; fingering the lettershe did not open it at once. Now that happiness stretched in front of her it was pleasant to linger on the confines of misery, to look back on the life she was to leave.

"It is not every one," said Eva re flectively, "who can make experiments in life-without expense."

Eva Norrington had been the pride of the provincial town which gave her birth. At the high school no girl could stand against her. Her form governess, who now and then asked her favorite pupils to tea, even said she might be a head mistress one day. To Eva this seemed absurd. But when, at the age of 20, she gained a guinea prize for a story in a weekly paper she began to think that at least she might be a great novelist. At any rate she felt | This, then, must be the end of the strugsure that somewhere ahead of her stretched a career; and as her 21st how she hated the fight! A fight wherebirthday approached she announced to in victory would bring her no nearer her startled parents her intention of go- to the actualities of life; for she had

women on an equality with men, and such as have been common of late in that whereas men can buy the coveted the homes of England, wherein the parfruit of the tree of knowledge of good ents play the part of the apprehensive and evil by the pottle, women must hen, the daughter that of the adventurbuy the tree outright, and pay cash. ous-duckling. The duckling invariably It was terribly unfair. And the most gains its point; and so it was with Eva unfair thing about the whole business Norrington. Having refuted argument was that, while success was almost and resisted persuasion for a certain within her grasp, success was not what number of weeks, Eva obtained a she wanted. There is no fun in livgrudging consent to her departure. The townspeople knew not whether to ad- ing your own life when that is precisely the life you do not want to lead, mire or disapprove. But they had read It was not as though Allan Craig had in novels of young ladles who took never kissed Eva Norrington. their lives and latchkeys into their own She opened the letter-cutting the enhands, became famous, and married velope with her nail scissors. For some respectably after all. So during the weeks of preparation for her campaign distinction must be made between your Eva became something of a figure in first love letter and your bootmaker's

from her project. Eva had mapped out

her life and Allan Craig was not includ-

As she sat fingering her letter in her

parture-her last dance, so she thought,

before she started life in earnest. They

were sitting out a dance together, for

Eva was not disposed to think unkindly

of Allan, though she might resent his

intrusion into her scheme of life. She

remembered how there had been silence

between them for some moments, how-

Allan had leaned his elbows on his

knees and dug the heel of his dancing

"And so you are quite determined to

"Of course," replied Eva. "My boxes

"Full of manuscript novels and other

"I cannot understand why you want

"I want to-well-to live a larger life."

"You mean you want to live in a big-

"Well, not exactly. I don't think you

"I quite understand that there is not

enough scope for you here, and that I

am a selfish brute for trying to keep

you from your ambition. Look here,

Eva, can you honestly say that you

Allan had risen and was standing

over her. Eva looked up at him. She

could see him standing there now-big,

thrilled her, half with fear and half

with pleasure. She rose and faced him.

"I shall be sorry to leave you-very

"Can't you see, Allan? I know I have

be where good work is wanted. Here I

"You may fail," said Allan, with a

"I shall succeed-I know I shall."

Eva hesitated. She was half

"No," he said, "There shall be no

walt a year from to-night, and then,

if London is no go, you know there

will always be me. You can't expect

me to pray for your success, can you?"

"I am bound to succeed," she said,

and turned to go. The waltz had ceas-

"Eva-once-the last time, perhaps.

"Quick!" she said; "some one will

A woman may forget many things

waist and a lover's lips upon her own.

reer before her, the remembrance of

the support of Allan's arm persisted in

obtruding liself. Having got what she

wanted she had already begun to doubt

if she wanted what she had got. For

a career, after all, is rather a lonesome

Such small success as may come

the inexperienced girl upon her first

incursion into literature came to Eva.

She lived sparingly, worked hard, and

never made the mistake of refusing

invitations on the ground of work. She

staid up a little later or got up a little

earlier instead. A weekly column on

"Health and Beauty" placed at her dis-

posal by the youthful editor of a new

woman's paper, who had met her at

the Writer's Club and thought her pret-

ty, paid her weekly bill at the board-

ing-house. Her stolles found frequent

acceptance and occasional welcome in

the minor periodicals, and a happy

meeting with an editor at a dinner par-

ty paved the way to her appearance

in a widely read magazine. By the

end of the year Eva Norrington had

got so far toward the realization of her

ambition that when people heard her

name mentioned they wrinkled their

brows and tried to remember where

they had heard it before. At home, of

course, her fame was great. The pa-

pers in which she wrote circulated free-

ly in the town, her stories were discuss

ed at afternoon teas, and townsfolk

were glad to think that they participat

All this time Eva was horribly lone

ly. She knew plenty of people and

liked them; they were kind to her, some

of them because they liked her for her-

self, others because they saw that she

was marked for ultimate success. Hav-

ing advanced a certain distance along

the road she had longed to travel, she

could judge better whither it would

lead her. It would lead her to a place

in the newspaper paragraphs, to a place

on the bookstalls, to a place in the pho

tographer's windows, and to a place

at Bayswater or South Kensington.

of the century.

sort of a thing.

She turned again, laughing.

am hampered; in London-"

"Will you write to me?"

had mistaken her hesitation.

"One novel and several stories."

shoes into the carpet.

leave us?" said Allan.

are all packed."

to go when--"

quite understand."

don't love me a little bit?"

"Then why -- ?"

ger place?"

sorry."

spoke:

in the face.

its place.

things?"

ed in the scheme.

local society, and more than one dinner | bill. She felt like one who has held party was given in her honor, as well his breath to feel what suffocation is as plentiful advice as to the neces- like. The letter was long. Eva read quickly at first, then slowly, knitting sary precautions against London guile, and many recipes for guarding against her brows as she turned the pages, and the colds induced by the fogs that in- came at last to the signature, "Ever your friend, Allan Craig." fest the metropolis. The letter lay for some minutes in Eva was almost happy; for she had the hopefulness of youth and beauty, Eva's lap, while she looked vaguely round her room. and all the exhilaration of taking her "He is afraid of spoiling my career life into her hands and fashioning it as -my success has put an insuperable she would, with none to raise objections to the process. She would have been quite happy but for Allan Craig. For Allan Craig, whenever he heard

barrier between us," she murmured. The phrases of the letter had burned themselves into her brain. "O, Allan! I wish I could tell you-or do you want ileges and unique features. It has a that Eva was bent on going to London to make a name for herself, promptly to hear?" offered her his own for a substitute. It When the dinner bell rang an hour was a good enough name, and at the afterward Eva rose wearily from her writing table, where she had been foot of a check it was generally respect-

ed, as Allan Craig had lately stepped tolling over her half-finished manuinto his father's business as estate script. She had not burned it. agent and was prospering. Eva was Five years passed before she saw Al lan Craig again, and then the meeting disturbed, but she turned not aside was unexpected-at the exit of the theater where Eva had gone to see the hundredth performance of her play. Allan was obviously proud of knowing her, and introduced his wife, to whom bed-room, she went over the parting she gave graceful recognition. It was

scene in her mind. The details of it raining and Allan offered to see Eva would only increase the delight of the letter. For Eva had learned during the to a cab. They stood for a moment on last year that happiness is so rare that the steps to the entrance. "Yes," said Allan, in answer to Eva's it deserved to be rolled on the tongue and not swallowed in haste. It was at have a little daughter-Eva-my wife's ruins of Herculaneum. a dance on the night before her de-

name, curiously enough." He stood by the hansom as she entered, guarding her dress from the wheel. As she turned to give the address, he

"I ought to congratulate you on your success. It is very sweet to me. You know-you-owe it all to me. Are you grateful?" "Yes: I owe it to you," she said, lean-

ng forward as the apron closed upon her, and the attendant constable grew impatient. "Come and see me-Tues-"I can't think why I should be so

silly," said Eva to herself, as she stuffed her handkerchief back into her pocket and felt for her latch-key, when the cab drew up before the hall door of her county to have a Chatauqua meeting flat at Kensington.-Black and White. to remain in session two or three weeks.

Attention to the Feet.

It is utterly impossible to get well or keep well unless the feet are kept dry and warm all the time. If they are for the most part cold, there is cough or sore throat, or hoarseness or sick headache, or some other annoyance.

soaked in hot water for ten minutes engines, which aggregate 52,694 horse in flavor. The fruit at best needs a every night, and, when wiped and power. dried, rub into them well ten or fifteen drops of sweet oil. Do this patiently comely, with something in his eyes that the soles of the feet particularly. On getting up in the morning dip both feet at once into water as cold as the air in the room, half ankle deep, for a minute in summer, half a minute or in me to do good work, and I must venient, hold them to the fire, rubbing eighty respectively are struck. them with the hands until perfectly dry and warm in every part. If the feet are damp and cold, attend only to the note of hope in his voice. Then Eva morning washings, but always at night remove the stockings and hold the feet to the fire, rubbing them with the hands for fifteen minutes, and get imclined to give in to that extent. Allan

mediately into bed. Under any circumstances, as often as the feet are cold enough to attract attention, draw off the stockings, and selfishness in my love for you, I will hold them to the fire; if the feet are much inclined to dampness, put on a pair of dry stockings. Some persons' feet are more comfortable, even in winter, in cotton, others in woolen stock-Eva, placed on her mettle, looked him ings. Each must be guided by his own feelings. Sometimes two pairs of thin stockings keep the feet warmer than one pair which is thicker than both. ed in the room below, and a rustle of The thin pair may be of the same or skirts and a ripple of tongues had taken different materials, and that which is best next the feet should be determined

by the feelings of the person. Persons who walk a great deal during the day should, on coming home for the night, remove their shoes and stockings, hold the feet to the fire until perbut no woman ever forgets the first fectly dry, put on a dry pair of stocktime a lover's arm was around her ings, and wear different shoes for the remainder of the evening. To change And as Eva sat in the corner of a thirdto slippers is dangerous, as one is likeclass carriage in the London train next

morning, looking forward to the ca- ly to catch cold. Why We Are Right-Handed. Primitive man, being naturally an aggressive animal, defended himself against wild beasts with his fists and nails; he fought for his food and his womankind, which his enemies were always trying to take from him. The first movement on being attacked is to endeavor to protect the most exposed and vulnerable part of the body. For the boxer and the fighter the heart is undoubtedly the most vulnerable place. A hard blow in that region may easily kill a man, and consequently primitive man used the right hand to fight with, and the left to protect the heart and to ward off the blows directed to that region. When, therefore, arms of not cure; their mercurial and potash offense and defense were introduced and replaced teeth and fists, it was the right hand that wielded the sword and lance, while the left held the shield and buckler before the region of the heart. The enormous difference between the use of the right and the left hand in our present civilization has this very simple origin. In the first place the superiority of the right over the left hand was only brought into evidence during a combat, but it soon spread and became universal. Since the introduction of lethal weapons, the right hand became naturally accustomed to the manipulation of the lance, the sword and the knife, and the nerves of the right side soon became more flexible and more under the control of ed to some extent in the literary work the will than the muscles of the left

Shady Wit. Shade of Pharonh's Daughter-Say, if you were on earth now you'd make fine sailor! Shade of Lot's Wife-Why? Shade of Pharoah's Daughter-Oh,

you're such an old salt, you know!-

New York Press. His Version.
"Papa, what does this mean, 'It is better to give than to receive?" asked a boy of his fond parent, "It means, my son, that your mother finds more pleasure in lecturing me

gle and the turmoil of the fight. And than I do in hearing her."-Tid-Bits. Samuel Bovens of Bethel, Vt., bas's

TOPICS FOR FARMERS GOOD LOOKS.

baby monkey than there are in that of an old baboon. And speaking of wrinkles, A DEPARTMENT PREPARED FOR OUR RURAL FRIENDS. more of them can be wrought out in a fair young face by neuralgia than in that of an aged person. Constant pain will shrivel, and neuralgia neglected will plow its furrows deep. It not only wrinkles, but takes the bloom away and gives the skin a dull and yellow look. St. Jacobs Oil is a prompt and sure cure for neuralgia, and it should be used, as while it soothes and cures, it smooths out the tracks of pum and leaves the skin healthy and fair again; besides it rids the sufferer of much torment and restores a happier disposition. Gook looks come only with good health, and health is found in the absence of pain. young face by neuralgia than in that of an The Best Kind of Corn for Ensilage-How to Plant Apple Orchards -Gresse Will Destroy Lice on Cattle -Farmers Who Are Land Poor.

Corn for Enellage,

to its quality. But where the large

north is sown thickly, the immense

ance have sown this Southern coru for

the last time. The early Flint or Dent

varieties, drilled thinly enough to make

at least a nubbin on every stalk, can

be made to grow twelve to fifteen tons

of green fodder per acre on rich land.

If this corn is cut and put in silo when

the grain is in the milk, there will be

more valuable nutriment in it than in

twenty to twenty-five tons of pale

white stalks that have hardly enough

carbon in them to heat and form the

carbonic acid gas that preserves the

ensilage from spoiling. The richer the

stalks, so that they be green and suc-

culent, the sweeter the ensilage will be

Sour ensilage always indicates that the

quality of the fodder was too poor to

get up rapid fermentation, which

would exclude air and prevent the fer-

ment going to the point of making

vinegar, thus destroying much nutri-

Planting Apple Orchards.

How far apart should apple trees be

planted? The small, thin, whiplike

trees with a few roots attached look

very lonesome when set at the proper

distance apart. It requires strong

imagination and some faith to see

these in the future, spreading fifteen to

eighteen feet on either side, and with

branches that interlock each other. Yet

they will surely do it if not planted for-

ty feet apart. And on good ground,

that, for the spreading varieties, like

Greening and Baldwin, is none too

near. The Northern Spy apple grows

more upright, and that may be planted

feet apart, and then plant in between

branches of the tree and letting sun-

long season to ripen, and should have

all the sunlight that can be given it .-

Grease to Destroy Lice.

long continue to live. Grease of any

kind kills them, as it closes the pores

better to rub lard or fat of any kind

on the necks of cattle and around the

thoroughly mix. This closes the pores

and is just as effective as stronger

Farmers Who Are Laud Poor.

they can properly attend to frequently

rent other farms and extend their op,

erations. They cannot do this profit

ably unless they depend upon fer'l-

izers. But few farms receive a suffi-

er undertakes to cultivate more land

he must either impoverish the land or

add something to it. It is better to

use les sland and increase the yield. If

As to Sheep.

the land from year to year and allow-

ing the sheep to feed upon it.

ciency of manure, and when the 'ar...

Farmers who have as much land as

cattle in spring are thin in flesh,

light to the center. The Northern Spy

tion.-Exchange.

found in the absence of pain. The chaplains of the Oklahoma legislature receive \$1.50 per day, or just half the sum set apart for the men who clean the spittoons.

There are more wrinkles in the face of a

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Before the great freeze in Florida the annual orange crop was from 8,000,000 to 10,000,000 boxes. The estimate for this season is 70,000 boxes. Piso's Cure for Consumption has been a

thirty feet apart, partly to crowd the family medicine with us since 1865.—J. R. Madison, 2409 42d ave., Chicago, Ill. roots and induce earlier bearing. But even with the Northern Spy we should Instead of the regular county teachprefer to have the trees planted forty

the rows peach trees or dwarf pear trees to produce a crop until the apple On the summit of Ben Lomond are trees come into bearing. No kind of the smallest trees in Great Britain. apple so much needs sunlight as does They are dwarf willows and when ma- the Northern Spy. But this can be tured are only about two inches in best secured by pruning out the inside

height. From figures recently published at Munich, Bavaria, it appears that there apples that grow on these inside If cold and dry, the feet should be are now in Central Europe 15,644 gas branches are small, colorless and poor

In Brazil, at a funeral of an unmar-American Cultivator. ried woman, the mourning color is scarwith the hands, rubbing the oil into let. The coffin, the hearse, the trapings of the horse and driver are all scarlet.

sure sign that lice are troubling them. A German statistician says that of It is only on thin cattle that iice can every 10,000 chimneys three are struck less in winter, rubbing one foot with by lightning, while of the same numthe other, then wipe dry, and, if con- ber of towers and windmills sixty and through which they breathe. It is much



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ney Disease; Kidney Disease, if not checked, leads to Bright's and Bright's

_Disease Because the Kidneys break

down and pass away with

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remedies only bottle up the poison in the system, to surely break forth in a more virulent form, resulting in a total wreck of the system.

jeweler at 926 Pensylvania Ave., Wash-I was for a long time under treat cians of this city, for a severe case

filled with eating sores; my tongue was almost eaten away, so that for three months I was unable to taste any solid food. My hair was coming out rapidly, and I was in a horrible fix. I had tried various treatments. and was nearly dis couraged, when a friend recommended S.S.S. After ' had taken four bottles, began to get better, and when I had finished eighteen bottles, I was cured sound and well, my skin was without a blemish, and I have had no return of the disease. S.S.S.saved me from a life of misery." S.S.S. (guaranteed purely secretable) will cure any case of blood vegetable) will cure any case of poison. Books on the disease and its treat-ment. mailed

Champion and Beauty are generally ecommended for commercial planting, with the use of Early Ruby, Maule Earliest and Earliest of All in sections

where the seasons are short.

Feeding Sitting Hens. Sitting hens never get fat. In fact, with some of the persistent sitters of the Asiatic breeds, the semi-starvation to which they expose themselves is, perhaps, better for their future as egg producers than high feeding would be. Still it is not best to let this starvation go too far. The hen will not eat nor Quality of feed put into the silo counts drink much, but if food and drink are for as much there as it does if fed dry. offered early in the morning, some of This has an important bearing on the both will be taken. We never feed a kind of corn to plant for the silo. It is sitting hen anything but wheat, and do not now the practice, as it used to be, not give very much of that. It is more to look exclusively or even mainly to a important that the hen drink freely great bulk of forage without regard than that she eat much. She will sometimes drink if milk is offered to her at Southern corn that will not ear so far night. With wheat in the morning and milk at night, the hen will lose fat, growth of stalks without any grain and but will be healthier and ready to go with very small nutritive value, makes to laying again by the time her clutch a feed so poor that it needs a great deal of chickens is grown large enough to of grain or meal to perfect the ration. Some good farmers of our acquaint-

care for themselves .- Exchange. The Common Field Pea. The common field pea is very largely grown in Canada, partly because that country is in some parcs too far north to grow corn profitably. Another reason is that the pea in Canada is exempt from the attacks of the pea weevil. It is found that by securing Canada peas for seed crops of peas may be grown on our side of the line free from bugs, if in a place where no peas have lately been grown. The pea is really a better food for growing hogs than any other grain, and as while growing the pea roots increase nitrogenous fertility in the soil, the crop may be profitably grown. It is the best fallow crop to precede either winter wheat or rys.

Heavy Foll Best for Fruit. Owing to its earliness and the ease with which it is cutivated, it was natler soil, should be kept in good coudition until spring.

Cottonseed Meal. W. F. Massey tells the Practical Farmer that while cotton seed meal may be excellent feed for beef cattle, he does not want any fed to his milch cows, if he is to eat the butter. He would prefer pea meal. If cotton seed meal be fed at all, it should be in small quantities and with ensilage or cut under the load of repeated headaches, edy to purify their blood, arouse the

Farm Notes. The editor of one of the leading dairy journals states that if one-half of the cows now giving milk, intelligently selected for that purpose, could be slaughtered within a week, the remaining half would yield a greater profit than is now realized from the whole. The feeding of cut hay and pulped roots to stock demonstrates that steers will make a larger gain in weight than when the same foods are fed unprepared, as much as 33 per cent. increase having been noticed. This indicates that it will pay to give careful prepara-

tion of the food. Oleomargarine does not injure the ale of butter as much as does the large amount of inferior butter put on the market by farmers, due to either a lack of knowledge of butter making or carelessness in the work. There is a sephead than to apply large amounts of kerosene, which has usually the effect arate and distinct market for choice of taking off the hair. If kerosene oil butter, and it sells readily at good is used, make it into an emuls'on, with prices during every season of the year. ten times its bulk of water, and using enough soap to make the oil and water

Sandy soil is usually deficient in lime and potash, hence any expenditure for those substances to be applied where the land is sandy should prove a profitable investment. Clover can be grown after such substances are used, and the land will then make a gain in nitrogen. It is not necessary to give heavy dressings of lime, but apply it lightly in the spring and fall.

If you have any reason to suspect that your oats are affected with smut. soak them before sowing ten minutes in scalding water, and then for twenty hours in a solution of potassium (liver of sulphur), 11/2 pounds to twenty-five gallons of water, in a wooden vessel. This is the treatment recommended by the land can be made to produce more without enlarging the area the cost of the Ohio experimental station director. the crop will be reduced. Hundreds The amount stated is sufficient for of farmers are land poor and pay taxes twenty or more bushels.

on land that cannot be made to pay be One of the best kinds of grafting cause the efforts are not concentrated wax for general use is made of four parts rosin, two parts beeswax and one part tallow. Melt together, pour into a pail of water, and pull like mo-Sheep are the most profitable stock lasses candy. Almost any wax will on the farm. Those who go into sheep melt in the sun in the hottest summer raising extensively find it a profitable days, and should be covered with cloth business, but a small flock on every or paper. If you want a harder wax farm is nearly all profit. There is no than this add one part more rosin. You animal that will convert the weeds and can try this wax by a hot stove and wastes that grow on every farm into find out its melting point. ready cash like sheep. They will eat almost every kind of weed that grows, even to thistles. They soon banish weeds from pastures where they are

Tobacco growers are combating the worms by using a spray of one pound of Paris green to 160 gallons of water. fed from year to year, and if they do Use a knapsack sprayer, with agitator not clean the fence corners, lands, bush attachment. If it is not desirable to borders, fallow fields and byways it is use Paris green on the plants, the moth because they do not get a chance. There that lays the egg may be destroyed is no way of checking wild mustard so by taking the bloom of the jimson effectively as by growing sheep fed on weed; place them along the tobacco rows in an upright position, and inject into each bloom, with a small, clean Sheep are also noted for increasing can, some of the following mixture: the fertility of the soil. No one who One pint water, one-fourth pint honey, stocks his land well with sheep has his one ounce cobalt. It is sure death to land shorn of its fertility. This is a the miller, very important matter, and one of the

> Women are more often too short than too tall, and consequently try to gain height by putting on high-heeled shoes, and these do, undoubtedly, give dignity as long as the wearer stands still, but in motion they are graceless, even in a room, and deform the feet. Thus women are made to minister to a very short-lived fancy, and, from a physiological standpoint, we cannot recommend them. American women, as a rule, have too small feet, which do not add to their beauty. The better shape a foot is the smaller it will look, but in the disproportionately small foot there is always involved an awkward gait. The foot of a large woman should be larger than the foot of a small woman or a slenderly-built woman, and usually-to her unnecessary

ulna, a bone in the forearm, which extends from a lump in the outer portion of the wrist to the elbow. Of course the ulna is longer in tall people, and to be graceful the foot should be also. Most people would be surprised the best method of avoiding rot is be | that the foot should be as long as the forearm, and would be inclined to dispute the fact unless proven by experience. Large women pinch their feet

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