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Mrs. C. K. Tyler, Burlington, Vt., says: "The cures of a large farm, so much to do and so little health to do it with, caused almost a complete breakdown; blood poor and thin; no strength, little sleep. Hood's Sarsaparilla gave appetite, natural sleep, perfect health, strength to do all my work."

## Shifting the Responsibility.

Teacher—Mrs. Clubber, your little Clarence frequently comes to school with his face unwashed.  
Mrs. Clubber—Why, good gracious, Miss Lipsicum, what do you keep a school janitor for!—Chicago Tribune.

Flibberty—"When I begin to suspect that I'm working too hard at my business I go and consult my doctor. If he says I'm all right I go back to work."

Jibbit—"There's nothing original in that idea. Whenever I get uneasy about myself I apply for another thousand or two of life insurance. If I pass the examination I know I'm O. K."

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

The thimble was at first worn on the thumb and was called "thumbell."

A cork carried to a depth of 200 feet below the surface of the sea will not rise again owing to the great pressure of water.

A terrible noise of thumping and stamping came from Bob's room early one morning.

"Bobby, Bobby," called his mother, from downstairs, "what is going on up there?"

"My shoes," replied Bob.

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## No Time for That.

Philanthropic Woman (giving him a coin)—You work, I suppose, when you can find employment?

Saymold Storey—Work? When I ain't eatin' and sleepin', ma'am, my entire time is occupied in solicitin' work!

## CASTORIA

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**Suggesting an Improvement.**  
Customer (at dairy lunch counter)—You have to pay out a good deal of money for the ginger you use, do you not?

Proprietor—Ginger? Why, no; ginger's cheap.

Customer—Then why don't you feed some of it to your waiters?

## A Real Charity.

Tess—And what do you think? Mr. Goodhart hadn't been alone with me for five minutes before he offered to kiss me.

Jess—Yes, that's one thing about Jack Goodhart; he's just as soft-hearted and charitable as he can be.—Philadelphia Press.

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## GUN BARRELS FOR PICKETS.

Unique Fence Yet Standing in Historic Old Georgetown.

Historic old Georgetown, Va., lays claim to the only fence in the world built of gun barrels, and there is little reason to doubt that this claim will go undisputed.

More than half a century ago there lived in Georgetown a lock and gunsmith named Reuben Daw, whose shop was on M street, in the business section. His large shop was packed with all kinds of pistols, guns and knives, which he had bought at different times, and many a trusty firearm bought from him may yet be found in the old homes of Georgetown. These old citizens will say, "I bought that gun from Reuben Daw long before the war, and she's as good and true as the day I bought it."

There are old citizens who will remember the armory established at Harper's Ferry by the United States. Here was made the first breech-loading rifle, but which proved rather tricky and dangerous weapons. Other makes of guns were turned out at the arsenal to take the place of the Hall rifles, and these were called in and stored.

Later the government decided to dispose of the worthless guns at the armory, and a public auction was held. Reuben Daw, the Georgetown gunsmith, attended the sale and bought a large number of the guns, having them shipped to his home. He sold a few of them and then decided he would utilize the stock in hand in building a fence around his two houses at the corner of Twenty-eighth and P streets, he then occupying the residence immediately on the northwest corner. Mr. Daw took the barrels from the stocks, and placing in the end of each barrel a forked, fancy topping, thus making upright iron and steel pickets, about as substantial and attractive as any used in building the fences around the old mansions in Georgetown. He had the posts and other portions of the fence manufactured to order, and with his own hands he did the largest part of the work in putting up his gun-barrel fence, which today is in almost perfect condition.

On some of the old barrels may yet be seen the sights, but most of them have been broken off by souvenir hunters, as have also been taken away many of the top pieces. The two splendid old brick and stone dwellings are occupied by the families of Charles and Edward Daw, sons of the man who built the historic fence.

**THE RESULT OF FOOT-BINDING.**



The Chinese inscription on the sketch, which was made from an X-ray photograph of a Chinese woman's foot, is rather ironical. It is a Chinese proverb, "To tamper with creation is to spoil the harmony of heaven."

## Word Derivations.

"Disaster" is an astrological term meaning "unfavorable star," one of the many words that astrology has bequeathed to the English language. "Predominant," "ill starred," "in the ascendant," are other instances, not to speak of the expression "My stars!" Even "influence" is really astrological, signifying the flowing in upon human affairs of the power of some heavenly body. "Petrel" and "petrol" both descend from "petra," a rock. "Petrol" comes directly enough through "petroleum," rock oil, but "petrel" through St. Peter, after whom the bird was named because it appeared to walk upon the waves.

## Not Half Through.

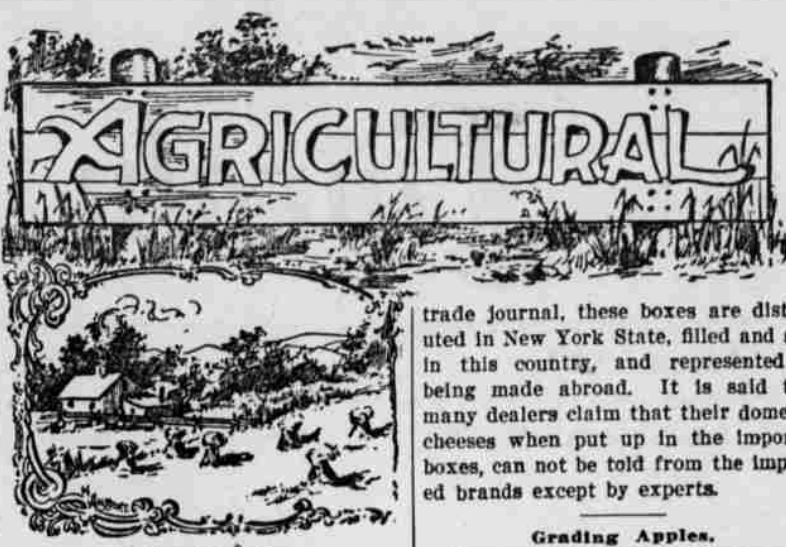
"Well," said the obedient husband, "now that I am in politics, I hope you are satisfied."

"Getting in politics," replied his ambitious wife, "is comparatively easy. Getting out again gracefully is what counts these days."—Washington Star.

## After the Prom.

Ethel—Was he satisfied with one kiss?  
Gladys—Humph. I think he was satisfied with all of them.—Yale Record.

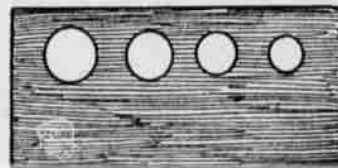
How hard it is to convict a guilty man in the courts; and how easy it is to convict an innocent man in the newspapers and reform meetings!



trade journal, these boxes are distributed in New York State, filled and sold in this country, and represented as being made abroad. It is said that many dealers claim that their domestic cheeses when put up in the imported boxes, can not be told from the imported brands except by experts.

## Grading Apples.

Some apple growers have been using the grading board shown in the figure. A common board or piece of pasteboard is hung up before the wiper. In this board holes are cut the size of various tiers, such as three, three and one-half and four tier, etc. As the apples are wiped they are properly tiered. The advantage of this method is that the packers have the apples practically graded and can do



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much more work in a day, and after the first half day the wipers can usually accomplish fully as much as with the old method.—Denver Farm.

## Nitrate.

In purchasing nitrate of soda, the most quickly available source of nitrogen for plants, buyers should steer clear of low grade nitrate. The more usual adulterants are common salt, and salt cake from the manufacture of acids, both worthless as fertilizers and containing no plant food. Nitrate of soda now comes in original bags, which now contain about 200 pounds. The old 310-pound bag was very clumsy.

## Cutting Back Trees.

In highly interesting experiments at the Woburn (England) experimental fruit farm in cutting back apple trees when planted the ultimate result was found to be that trees not cut back until the end of the first year continued to form wood in subsequent years, and the crop borne by them during the first ten years was only one-third of that borne by those which were cut back when planted.

## Watering the Horse.

A successful horse raiser says: "I count the swallows my horses take while drinking a pailful. Some take larger swallows than others, but I know them all. If I am out on the road and come to a trough, I get out and count while my horse drinks, so that he will not take too much at once. I give water often, and so keep my horses free from bowel trouble caused by overdrinking."

## Wood Ashes.

It is seldom that a farmer can accumulate a sufficient amount of wood ashes for a large field, but on farms where wood is used there is a limited supply which can be put to good use on the garden or on the young clover. Ashes are excellent also on all grass lands and in orchards. They are applied broadcast, in any quantity desired, as many as 100 bushels per acre having been used on certain soils.

## Making Swamp Land Tillable.

A drainage ditch twenty-four and one-quarter miles long that will drain 85,000 acres of Iowa land is fairly under way in Monona and Harrison Counties. It will cost about \$750,000, and will empty into the Missouri River just a little above the town of Little Sioux. The swamp land reclaimed will make some of the most valuable farm land in the State.

## Farm Notes.

Many orchardists make a great mistake planting trees too deep.

Hogging down corn has a great deal in its favor, but the hogging process should be finished before heavy snows come.

There is something the matter with the man who must drive past all the adjoining farmsteads in order to visit his neighbors.

Many a person makes the mistake of thinking that the hen house should be warm at night. So long as it is warm enough to prevent the freezing of the combs that is sufficient. The greatest necessity is to cut off all drafts.

The proper thing to do with the stray dog in neighborhoods where hog cholera is prevalent is to kill him and bury him "in the shade of the old apple tree."

The advantage of testing each ear of seed corn separately is that nearly all the poor seed can be thrown out. If only one ear in each bushel is found to be imperfect it will pay to do the testing.

## Value of Humus.

1. Humus is decaying vegetable matter in the soil.

2. It is the storehouse of nitrogen, the most expensive and the most necessary of all plant foods.

3. It contains the food upon which the soil organisms live, whose function is to convert organic nitrogen into nitrates in order to be available for the use of plants. It materially assists in decomposing the mineral constituents of the soil, such as potash and phosphoric acid, making them available for the use of plants.

4. It increases the power of the soil to hold water without becoming water-logged.

5. It makes clay soil more open and friable. It serves to compact sandy soil and increases its drought-resisting power.

6. It prevents washing to a great extent; thereby diminishing the loss of fertility by that cause.

7. Soil filled with humus more readily admits the air so necessary to all useful plant growth.

8. There appears to be a distinct relationship between the amount of humus in the soil and the amount of available nitrogen therein. It has been observed that when it is absent from the soil there is a distinct reduction of the ability of that soil to grow crops. Hence in practice in order to obtain the best crops we have to resort to barnyard manure rather than the use of concentrated fertilizers.—Rural World.

## Convenient Harrow.

After working several years among stones, stumps, grubs and young orchards, I learned I needed a special harrow for the work. I could find none to suit me; so studied and planned and made one last spring, which does even better than I expected.

The cut will to some extent explain how it is made. I made mine of oak timber 2 1/2 inches by 3 1/2 inches, 4 feet long and 6 feet 3 inches wide. It is composed of a middle section and two wings, the latter fastened to the middle section by 1/2 inch bolts 8 1/2 inches long, on which the wings fold very easily. The teeth are scattered over the harrow so that they are 9 inches or more apart, and yet cut every 3 inches, and are placed in the harrow sloping back, about 20 to 25 degrees from a perpendicular. They cut just as well and do not catch as if placed in perpendicular, and are easier on man and team. I have heddles to the middle section of mine, and a rope from each heddle to the outside corner of each wing, so as to lift it conveniently and quickly. I can pass readily between trees or stumps less than 3 feet apart. It is just the thing for orchards and rough ground, while on clean smooth ground it works just as well as any other smoothing harrow.—A. J. Umboltz.

## When Trees Are Blown Over.

Should excessive winds blow the top of a tree out of shape, which often occurs, cut it out, leaving a nearly erect southwest branch to become the new central stem. Shallow, loosely planted trees sometimes blow over. They may be put back by excavating on the opposite side and pushing the tree back, tamping the earth as firmly as possible on the side toward which it leaned. Care should be taken not to wrench the roots loose in this operation.

## A Balanced Ration.

In the ration-fed farm animals either alfalfa or clover should be given to balance the corn. Either one of these legumes will likewise be needed to "balance" the effects of corn on the soil. Considerable plant food, especially nitrogen, is removed from the soil by corn, while alfalfa or clover gathers a great deal of nitrogen from the air and places it back in the soil.

## Cheese Under False Colors.

According to a recent consular report about 2,000 imported empty Camembert cheese boxes, bearing the names of well-known French cheeses, were imported at New York on one steamer recently. Duty had to be paid on the printed matter on their 2,000 labels and another duty on the imported boxes. According to a New York