

Flax Culture.

In my last I endeavored to show that the culture of flax was of very ancient origin, antedating the founding of Thebes, Troy, Athens, and Rome...

In the present article I propose to take a cursory view of its rise, progress and present development in our own country. It is worthy of observation that the early Mexicans before the discovery of America by the Spaniards...

Although indigenous to America, flax was introduced from the mother country shortly after the first settlement of the colonies and by them used as an article of clothing as much perhaps from necessity as for profit. They labored under great disability in this regard...

Flax was taken to Holland from the Dutch settlement, New York, as early as 1626. In 1628, some think earlier than this—the Governor and company of Massachusetts Bay in New England, ordered flax seed for cultivation. Flax was raised in Virginia prior to 1648...

According to the census of 1840 about 97,251 tons of flax and hemp were raised. In 1850 were raised 7,709,676 pounds of flax and 562,312 bushels of flax seed. In 1860 while hemp had more than doubled, flax had fallen off to 4,720,145 pounds and flax seed was stationary at 596,867 bushels.

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W. F. WEST. JEFFERSON, Feb. 5th, 1876.

FARM ECHOES, NO. 5.

Store Debts. These are great drawbacks to the interests of the farmer. Worse than a debt contracted by borrowing money for their increase so imperceptibly that when the reckoning day comes the delinquent stands astounded at that little bill the clerk hands over to be paid. Many well-to-do farmers have lost heart, and it is a mere chance if they ever stand fair and square before the world again.

It would be well for these short-sighted individuals to make it a point to investigate the merits of Wayland's or Greeley's Political Economy, and thus, while brushing up their college learning, learn to apply the great truths of exchange and barter to their own slack way of doing business. It is a shame that so many of the farming community permit themselves to become the dupes of their own fancied wants and the subjects of a merchant's pleasure.

Extravagance and drunkenness have their own reward, but of them I am not writing. Sober plain-going citizens whose families are no great expense, but who seem to be utterly thoughtless and imprudent in this thing of running a store bill are found delinquent as well as the reckless. They work hard year in, and year out, but it never seems to count. How can it when it all goes to pay for groceries long ago eaten up and for calico that is worn out.

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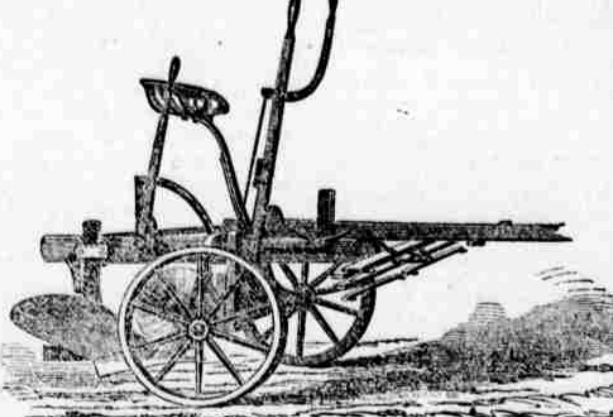
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