

Clay and the Salary Grab.
 "Quinn," said an old member one day. "I heard you worrying about the mileage. Did you ever hear the story of Clay and the salary grab?"
 "No," I replied.
 "When Clay was speaker," he continued, "along about 1816, the crowd raised their salaries to \$1,500 a year. There was a great howl all over the country, and when Clay reached home in Kentucky, he found old one-armed John Pope, a Federalist, out after his scalp to beat the band, and all the Clay adherents ominously silent. Worried and anxious Clay sought out his old barber, who had always been enthusiastic in his advocacy and who happened to be an Irishman. "I trust I may count on your hearty support as usual," Clay asked. "Faith, Mr. Clay," said the Irish barber, "I think I shall vote at this time for the man who can get but one hand into the Treasury.""
 —Success Magazine.

Cure for Headaches.
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See and Hear.
 "What's that noise?" asked the visitor in the apartment house.
 "Probably some one in the dentist's apartments on the floor below getting a tooth out."

"But this seemed to come from the floor above."
 "Ah, then it's probably the Popeye's baby getting a tooth in."—Philadelphia Press.

What They Said.
 Maybe I didn't mean just what to the casual listener it seemed to mean, but this is what the farmer was overheard to say to his wife as they looked over the market reports in the daily paper:
 "Well, M'ria, hogs is up, an' that means we're with a good deal more to-day'n we was yesterday."—Chicago News.

Making Trouble Pay.
 "What does you do when de wolf howl at de do?"
 "Well, sub," replied Brother Williams, "I mos' ingenuously sets a trap fer de wolf an' sells him ter a circus."—Atlanta Constitution.

Poetry and Prose.
 Bride. (tenderly)—We have fully twenty minutes before the train comes, when we must bid one another farewell—Isn't that nice?
 Bridegroom—Capital—we can go into the station restaurant and eat something together.—Wiener Salon-witzblatt.

Recollections of a Busy Life.
 "Your face is familiar," said the passenger with the goggles. "Haven't I run against you somewhere before?"
 "No, sir," answered the passenger with the hunted look in his eyes. "You've tried a dozen times or more to run over me, but I have always been able to dodge in time."

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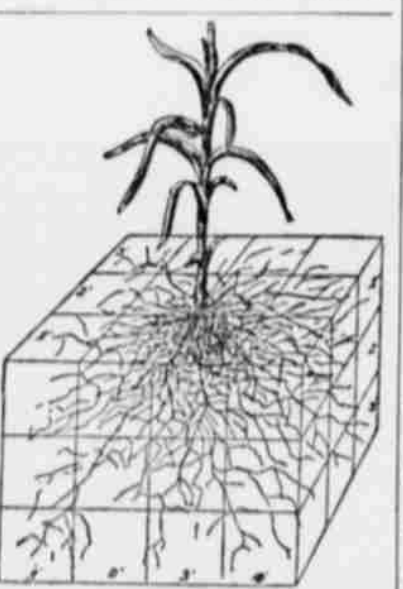
Tact.
 "I have been told," said the assertive woman, "that you are singularly lacking in tact."
 "What is your idea of tact?" asked Miss Cayenne.
 "I don't know. What's yours?"
 "Tact, as a rule, is the ability to conceal one's surprise at foolish or impertinent remarks."

Righteous Indignation.
 Correspondent—May I ask, Senator, how much your campaign cost you?
 Eminent Statesman—As to that, young man, I make it a rule to follow the scriptural injunction, not to let my left hand know what my right hand doeth. Besides, sir, it's none of your blankety blank business!



Cultivation of Corn.

Corn makes a rank growth both above and below ground, and for that reason requires treatment somewhat different from what is given to wheat or oats. Planting in rows is necessary not only to permit full development of the stalks, but also to give plenty of feeding room to the roots. Corn roots, if they have a chance, will occupy every inch to the depth of from three to five feet, and the yield of the corn will depend on the completeness of this occupation. The feeding ground, or, in other words, the corn root pasture, depends mainly on the preparation and cultivation of the soil. It may be limited in many ways, so that the farmer, instead of using from three to five feet of his field as soil, will use only a small portion of it. If the land is not properly drained, either naturally or artificially, the corn roots cannot penetrate into the regions saturated with water, for the water shuts out the air. If hard pan comes near the surface the corn roots cannot reach into that, and he may be cultivating but six, eight or ten inches of the field as soil. If the land be heavy and ploughed wet, full of lumps on the surface or resting on the plough pan or bottom of the furrow, the corn roots cannot utilize these, and hence his soil is limited. If he has ploughed under, in a dry time, coarse manure, so as to shut off the supply of water from below, the corn roots are again limited. It is, therefore, about as necessary for the farmer to understand corn roots and their habits and ways as it is for the surgeon to understand the anatomy of the system, where the bones lie, and where the arteries, veins, nerves and muscles are hidden under the skin. The corn plant, it will be seen, has no top-root. The first roots start out from the seed grain and go down.



DISTRIBUTION OF CORN ROOTS IN SOIL.

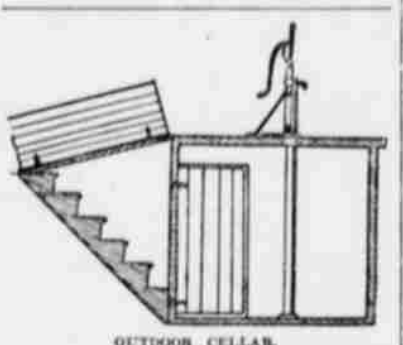
After this the roots are sent out in whorls of from two to ten. As the plant advances toward maturity, these whorls rise closer to the surface. The first roots thrown out immediately above the primary roots run sideways and occupy ten or fifteen inches below the surface. These lateral roots throw out fibrous or feeding roots, which run in every direction through the soil and occupy every inch within a radius of from two to five feet. It is evident, therefore, that if we plough corn immediately after planting, or after it is first up, we can plough as deep as we like, and generally the deeper the better. When, however, the roots begin to rise and occupy every square inch of soil within reach, it will not do to plough deep. Our cultivation must, therefore, be limited to the surface, and with the end in view of killing the weeds and forming the mulch of dry dirt which will shut off surface evaporation, and spread out the water which is continually rising from below within reach of the roots. The older and larger the plant the shallower should the cultivation be. In fact, if the ground is well prepared, ploughed deep when there is no danger of cutting off the roots, the only thing the farmer needs to do during the latter period is to maintain the mulch of dry dirt on the surface.

Farm Help Less Expensive.
 Farm labor is cheaper than it was at this time last year and is pretty sure to continue so for the season. There has been some curtailment in manufacturing throughout the country, the result being that a great many men are out of work. With this condition farmers find that they can get help more readily now than they have been able to for several years. It is ascertained that where contracts have been made in the Middle West and Southwest for farm hands the rate of wages averages about \$5 per month lower than that prevailing a year ago. A common rate of pay for farm hands

at this time is \$25 per month, as against \$30 last season. Competent men with experience in special departments of farming will command more, but not as much as in 1906 and 1907. Good live stock hands receive \$35 to \$45, but above this there are few men hired even for fancy farming or the specialties who are receiving more. Youths and inexperienced immigrants are offering their services for from \$15 to \$20 per month.

Concrete Outdoor Cellar.

A simple method of constructing a cool, outdoor cellar in localities where the common house cellars are too warm for use during the summertime, is shown in the accompanying sketch. It is a cellar made under the pump, so that the water pumped by the windmill has a very cooling effect. In places where it is difficult to obtain ice, it will prove indispensable to the dairyman who keeps a few cows. Another important item is the fact that a man does not find it necessary to



pull up all of the pipes every time that he finds it necessary to repair the pipes and pump. It is constructed of concrete. The top is re-enforced with one-half-inch steel rods placed one foot apart each way and the concrete is about six inches thick. The sides are made by using a form and the stairs are also made of concrete and are re-enforced by small steel rods. The cost, including the labor, amounted to about \$50. In the west and southwest it will also answer the purpose of a storm cave, which is considered a fixture on all farms.—Farm and House.

A New Swindle on Farmers.
 An entirely new but highly successful scheme to separate farmers from their money has been worked in South Dakota during the past few months. An oily grafter calls on a farmer and makes a bid for his land. The figures are absurdly low at first, but by degrees are raised as high as \$50 an acre, and the farmer consents.

Then the visitor explains that he is only an agent, but that he can sell the land at the price named if the owner will agree to pay for advertising at the rate of 50 cents an acre.

The "agent" promises orally that the advertising money will not be payable until the land is sold, but this stipulation is not contained in the contract that the farmer signs. In a few days he receives a copy of an ad and not over-courteous demand for money. It is said that twenty-two agriculturists were caught with this bait in Brown County and that one of them gave up \$320.

Thunder and Milk.
 To many persons the curdling of milk in a thunderstorm is a mysterious and unintelligible phenomenon. Yet, according to scientists, the whole process is simple and natural. Their claim is that milk, like most other substances, contains millions of bacteria. The milk bacteria that in a day or two, under natural conditions, would cause the fluid to sour are peculiarly susceptible to electricity. Electricity inspires and invigorates them, as alcohol, cocaine or strong tea affects men. Under the current's influence they fail to work with amazing energy, and instead of taking a couple of days to sour the milk they accomplish the task completely in a half hour. With an electric battery it is easy on the same principle to sour the freshest milk.

The Coddling Moth.
 About one-fifth of the first laying of eggs by the coddling moth is on the fruit, the rest being on the leaves and branches. The young larva that hatches from the egg is able to feed on the foliage to some extent and may come into maturity without entering the fruit, although it rarely does so. About 80 per cent of the first brood finds its way into the apples at the calyx, while the rest eat in at other points, principally at the stem. Only about 28 per cent of the second brood enters at the calyx, the others eating in where the apples touch each other, or a leaf at the stem end. The average life of the adult insect, or moth, is about four days.

Farm Threshing Companies.
 Farmers should form organizations for threshing. It is well to have a number of men help in threshing who are congenial. When the thresher comes into the neighborhood all know the routine and all help stays with the machine while it is in that vicinity. There is no room for boobies and stiffs about a threshing job. The man who shirks should be given a chance to join another ring.

S.S.S. DRIVES OUT BLOOD HUMORS

The skin is not simply an outer covering of the body, but through its thousands of pores and glands it performs the great and necessary work of regulating our temperatures, and also assists in disposing of the refuse and waste matters of the system by the constant evaporation that goes on through these little tubes. To perform these duties the tissues and fibres which connect and surround the pores and glands must be continually nourished by pure blood. When from any cause the circulation becomes infected with impurities and humors, it loses its strengthening powers and begins to disease and irritate the delicate tissues, and produces Eczema, Acne, Tetter, or some other itching, disfiguring skin trouble. S. S. S. cures skin diseases of every kind by going down into the circulation and neutralizing and removing the impurities and humors. It changes the quality of the blood from an acid, fiery fluid to a cooling, health-producing stream, which, instead of irritating and inflaming the skin, cures and nourishes it by its soothing, healthful qualities. Salves, washes, lotions, etc., may be used for any temporary comfort or cleanliness they afford, but skin diseases cannot be cured until S. S. S. has purified the blood. Book on Skin Diseases and any medical advice sent free.

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What a Woman Says.
 Singleton—I want to ask you a question, old man.
 Wedderly—Come on with it.
 Singleton—Does a woman always mean what she says?
 Wedderly—During courtship she doesn't, but after marriage you bet she does.—Chicago News.

Just a Billville Opinion.
 "We are so fond of worry," says a Billville philosopher, "that if we ever reach paradise we'll worry about having to fly too high and sing too often. We once knew a man who spent his lifetime trying to find out what he had to worry about."—Atlanta Constitution.

Giving Them Credit.
 "You know," said the distinguished Oriental who manifests much curiosity, "that the Chinese discovered the art of printing from type thousands of years ago."
 "Yes," replied the man who was being interviewed. "And, incidentally, I don't doubt that they were the original inventors of the interrogation point."—Washington Star.

Making Allowances for Him.
 "You used to know Tom, my nephew, didn't you?"
 "O, yes, I knew him well. Tom's a good soul. I always liked him."
 "He's one of the successful operators in Wall street now."
 "In spite of that I still think Tom's a good soul."—Chicago Tribune.

Side Lights on History.
 Scott was writing the "Lay of the Last Minstrel."

"After which," he muttered, with a grim smile, "with your kind permission, ladies and gentlemen, the gifted vocalist, Herr Spuyentuyfel, will sing the pathetic ballad, entitled 'Mamma, Your Little Darling, is Too Full to Eat Any More!'"
 For well he knew that there would be still later minstrels with other lays.

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The Bucket Shopper.
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One Important Item.
 "But, George, dear, how can we possibly live? Your income won't more than half support us."
 "O, yes, it will. After we are married, pet, I won't have to bring you any more hot-house flowers, you know."—Chicago Tribune.

Lack of Co-Operation.
 "I wish," said the revivalist, "Brother Grimshaw wasn't quite so strong on doctrinal points. As fast as I bring people into the church he tries to put them out of it for heresy."



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Worse Still.
 "My wife is getting to be very tiresome," complained Groucher, "she doesn't seem to know her own mind from one minute to the next."
 "My wife," said Kratchett, "is the same way. She's as uncertain as the weather."
 "Huh! Mine's as uncertain as the weather forecasts."—Philadelphia Press.

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Affected Him Differently.
 "Maw, what's paw doing down in the basement? Patching up the ice box?"
 "No, dear; he's putting new wire gauze on the screen doors."
 "How do you know?"
 "By the language he is using, dear."—Chicago Tribune.

So Polite.
 "She hasn't any cause to be snippy with me. The last time I saw her I'm sure I did the politest thing I could."
 "What did you do?"
 "We were on a car and when a man offered me a seat I said to her: 'You take it, dear; you're the older.'"—Kansas City Times.

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