

CLARA FOLTZ ANSWERED.

She Need Not Have Babies If She Does Not Want Them.

I see that Clara Foltz contends that every woman who has a baby should receive a pension. She says it is an awful thing to have a baby. Well, perhaps it is. I can't speak by the card, for I never had one yet. I notice, however, that married women who never had any babies are very sensitive on the subject and would willingly trade the best piece of furniture in the house for a real live baby of their own. I think its "awfulness" not to have babies. What proud young mother would part with her brand new baby for the highest office in the gift of the United States Government? "Not much," would be her indignant reply. I don't think the baby crop needs any encouragement. In the glorious climate of San Diego county the baby crop never fails. It is the only crop we can raise in every section of the county without irrigation.

Our usual output of babies is immense. If Congress should enact a law absolutely prohibiting babies, the little cherubs would nevertheless continue to arrive after the good old fashion, and they would shake their chubby fists in defiance of Uncle Sam.

Mrs. Foltz believes that strong-minded women ought to have the right to vote. That proposition fills me with suspicion. They might get up some new and unpopular way of having babies, and try to enforce it by a constitutional amendment that would create a dreadful amount of trouble. A government pension encouraging babies might lead to over-production.

I think too much of babies to ever want to see them a drug in the market.

I don't think that most women want to vote. If they really do, they have got to do it to go on a strike, and refuse to have any more babies until the tyrant man yields to them the full political rights demanded.

If they would all stick to this position, such a clamor would be raised everywhere that Congress would have to pass a law enfranchising women.

I also notice that the ladies who object to having their sex have babies are those who haven't had any babies lately themselves. This may be a mere coincidence, however. I think the safest plan would be to let the baby question remain in statu quo. The men might want pensions for the honor of being fathers. Ladies who disapprove of babies need not have any. This is a free country and they are at perfect liberty to spare themselves the inconveniences of maternity. —[Mary Jane in the San Diegoan.]

FARM AND GARDEN NOTES.

A farmer's wife whose hens have paid well, calls poultry the woman's friend.

Oats and peas sowed together, and fed as soon as the crop is high enough to cut, is convenient feed for a cow or two on a farm.

When fungus appears on roses, carnations or other sodden plants, sulphur exposed to the hot sun is among the best remedies.

Remember that sheep are close grazers and ought not to be turned on backward pastures or on fields not well covered with grass.

Lamplack mixed with strong vinegar will mark the sheep so that it will remain a year, and will not injure the wool as do tar and paint.

Wire netting, two-inch mesh, is said now to be cheaper than boards for fencing poultry, and more easily arranged with less labor.

When a brood sow proves a good and careful mother, keep her, and do not discard her for a lighter and younger one, because the old is large and heavy.

Lettuce seed should be sowed on a finely-prepared bed, made rich, and the largest plants used as they grow, which will avoid the necessity of transplanting.

Undertake to cultivate no more than you can manage well, and increase your acres as you increase in ability, and your acres and ability will advance step by step.

If new grape vines are wanted, lay the last year wood in a trench before the buds start much. Roll off half the buds and fill gradually with mould as the shoots grow.

It is claimed that more damage is done by the gentle bull than those that are vicious, and the advice is to watch them, as the gentlest of bulls is a treacherous animal.

It is too often forgotten that the teeth of aged animals, like those of old men, are defective, and food should be ground and made soft accordingly, in order to feed them with economy.

An exchange says if farmers will drop a soup bean or two in each hill of potatoes when they plant them the pesky potato bug will never bother them. There is a smell about the bean the beetles dislike.

If by the ensilage system, a greater number of cows can be kept, the farmer will have a larger area of land to be cultivated. Every acre of pasture that can be cultivated and made to yield a crop is a gain.

Mormons are attempting to establish themselves in the Canadian North-west. The Minister of Justice strongly opposes the settlement of this class on Government land.

Roll of Honor.

The following is the list of pupils on the roll of honor for the month of July at Pleasant Grove.

Fife Green	97
Ollie McCallister	98
Ella McCallister	95
Annie McDaniel	90
Minnie Mayben	96
Florence Thoss	98
Eliza Griffin	98
Willie Maben	97
George Griffin	99
Ed. McDaniel	98
Otis McCallister	98
Martha Mayben	96
Annie McCallister	98
Ella McDaniel	94
Allie Mayben	95
Elsie Green	98
Lelah Griffin	96
Charlie Mayben	97
Marion Griffin	98
Bertie Griffin	96
John McDaniel	93

Those standing too in department are, Ollie McCallister, Eliza Griffin, Willie Mayben, Marion Griffin, George Griffin and Otis McCallister. LULU DAY, Teacher.

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