

DIVERSIFIED FARMING.

There has been some controversy in regard to the comparative merits of special farming and diversified farming, with a general opinion that special farming was the most profitable. Undoubtedly it is so in many cases, where the farmer has a special liking for some one branch of his business, and an adaptation to it, and is in a locality or upon a soil peculiarly fitted for it. He gives his whole attention and energy to it, and liking it well enough to strive to do the best thing in the best manner, he could scarcely help achieving success.

Yet every successful one has had a host of imitators, who have failed to attain any thing beyond mediocrity, and financially have not obtained good results. They either are not adapted to special farming, or have not found the right specialty yet, and a specialty in farming as in anything else requires patience, perseverance and courage to stick to it despite discouraging failures, and to wait until by many errors the right methods have been found. Again, there must be behind all this a capital to carry him through the unfavorable seasons, and the losses which seem to come at some time in any kind of business.

Probably a large share of the farmers are succeeding better under the old system of diversified farming, with dairying, orcharding and a variety of field crops, by which if one branch shall not produce a profit in any year, some other will have an exceptionally good season, that will insure a moderate profit upon the whole.

Upon many farms there might be a much greater diversity of interests than there now is, with a reasonable chance for better financial results. The numerous manufacturing villages of Massachusetts and Rhode Island and the summer hotels and boarding-houses create a demand for many farm and garden products which might be, but are not, supplied by the farmers in their own vicinity, and make necessary an appeal to the markets of the larger cities, which in their turn are supplied by farms and gardens in localities where land is more costly and labor more expensive than it would be within a few miles of the place where the same was to be consumed.

Why should the express trains and trains out of Boston be loaded daily with fruit and vegetables, meat and poultry and eggs, for the country towns of New Hampshire or of central Massachusetts, or the resorts along the seashore, where land is idle and laborers seeking for work in all these sections. It certainly should not be so, but it certainly is so, as an examination will show. Can the farmers there grow no other crops than corn and potatoes, and no fruit but apples? Have they no one who can take care of hens and ducks, raise chickens and gather up eggs? Is it not as easy to keep a few sheep, and have lambs and mutton to sell, as it is to keep swine and sell pork? Are there no flowers in the field or the forest which would furnish honey for a few swarms of bees? Are there not boys, and girls too, who could find time to attend to the specialties, and who would, if given a share of the proceeds, take an interest in their work that would attach them more strongly to the old home and to the healthy farm life?

Increase the size of the family garden and grow a greater variety of crops of such sort as the local markets have to send away to procure. Get a few sheep to run with the cows in the pasture. It is an old saying that a pasture will better feed one cow and six sheep than it will the cow alone, and if this is not exactly true the first year, the sheep will so enrich the land and keep out the foul weeds that the soil will soon be much better and the grass more abundant. If accustomed to run together the cows will protect the sheep from dogs, and the sale of wool and lambs will prove a welcome addition to the income of the farm. Build an addition to the poultry-house and keep a few more fowls. Give them good food and good care, and keep a strict account of the expenditures and the sales. A good hen will pay more money over her keeping than a poor cow, and chickens and eggs are cash commodities in almost any village, as current as national bank notes, or easily converted into them.

Obtain a few hives of bees. They find their own food, and a little attention daily will be all that they require, and in each one of those hives will be from 20,000 to 50,000 busy workers, gathering honey for their owner from the flowers of the field and the forest. With the modern hives the labor of taking care of the bees is small, and the art is easily learned, and within the limits of the strength of boy or girl, with perhaps a little assistance from older persons at swarming time. A good swarm in a good location can easily make twenty-five pounds of honey in a season, besides what is needed for their own maintenance and one beekeeper has reported taking 500 pounds from four hives. Somebody makes money in growing these things, and why should not the farmer who has land enough and whose family need work and need the pay for their labor?

In the United States there are eaten every day 2,250,000 pies, each week 16,750,000, each year \$19,000,000, at a total cost of \$165,000,000 amount greater than the internal revenue, and more than enough to pay the interest on the national debt.

See W F Read's line of dress goods and suits for fall and winter.

The national debt of England is now smaller than it has been at any time since the first decade of the century, and though it is not being paid off as fast as ours, by any means, it is being steadily and materially reduced. After the battle of Waterloo, in 1815, the debt was more than 4½ billions of dollars, and the annual interest charge some \$163,000,000. As the population of the United Kingdom was then little more than 19,000,000, the amount of debt per capita was \$236, and the annual charge to each individual about \$8.63. Since then the debt has been decreasing nearly all the time, the only period of increase being during the Crimean war, and the present total is given as \$3,498,660,445.

The lake which has the highest elevation of any in the world is Green Lake, Colorado. Its surface is 10,352 feet above the level of the sea. In some places it is over 300 feet deep. The greatest depth of the ocean is 27,630 feet.

A small worm is stripping the foliage from the hemlock trees in Pennsylvania, and the large number of interests of that state are threatened with destruction.

ESPERE.

A piano at Klein Bros. Boot and Shoe store. New cloaks at W F Read's. Latest styles of hats at W F Read's. Reduction in summer goods at W F Read's. Apple papers for sale at Stewart & Sox's. S A Hulin, druggist, French's corner. Fine groceries at Conn & Henderson's. Latest sheet music at Will & Link's. Parasols and sun umbrellas at less than cost at W F Read's.

Gold spectacles and eye glasses, all styles and prices, at F M French's. The finest line of pocket knives in the city at Stewart & Sox's.

Complete stock of ladies' and gents' gold watches at F M French's. Bargains in gold watches at French's. "The Corner Jewelry Store". Stewart & Sox sell the very best patent tempered shears and scissors.

A full line of Warner's corsets, best in the world for the money, at W F Read's.

Ladies Oxford ties at greatly reduced rates at Klein Bros. Must be sold.

J. W. Bentley, ladies' hat and shoe maker, just east of Revue House.

C W Cobb, job printer, Flinn Block, does first class work.

See that elegant piano at Klein Bros Boot and Shoe store.

Notice—the extra hollow ground razors used by barbers are sold by Stewart & Sox.

Ladies Oxford ties at Klein Bros. Cheapest in the city. Will be sold at greatly reduced rates.

With his new bakery Conrad Meyer is able to offer old and new customers everything first-class in baked goods.

Any one contemplating buying a gold watch will do well to call at F M French's and examine stock and prices.

The Charles K Zine kid gloves manufactured at Philadelphia are the best in the market. Call at A B McElroy's and examine them before purchasing.

Found, a bunch of keys. Call at Democrat office for same.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—Girl to do general house work. Good wages to a good girl. Call at southeast corner of Third and Lyon streets.

FOUND—A black leather valise, containing clothing, etc. Call at this office.

WANTED—Girl to do general house work in small family. Call at store of Conn & Henderson.

FOR TRADE, property in a good town, where there is plenty of work, for Albany property. Call at DEMOCRAT office for particulars.

WANTED—By the undersigned, 160 cords of maple chair timber. Call at our shop near Farmers Warehouse, Albany, Oregon. R. VEAL & SON.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SPECIFICATIONS and plans will be left in charge of Enoch Miller, of South Santiam station, for the erection of a school house to be built in 1904, 105 of Linn Co., Oregon. All parties desiring to bid on the construction of said building, may call and examine the same, and leave sealed bids to be opened at that place on Sept. 28th, at 1 o'clock of said day. The school board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. J B MUNKORFF Chairman Board of Directors

SALE OF BLOODED STOCK.

TWO EXTRA FINE FULL BLOOD CLYDES—black bay stallions, 2 and 4 yrs old, 16½ hands high, weigh nearly 1700 lbs each, can show a better lot of draft coats than any horse that has ever stood in Linn county. Also one span of matched bay Clyde mares, 3 hinds, 16 hands, weigh nearly 1200 lbs each. Also one bay 4-year old Clyde mare, 16½ hands; one span of 2-year old matched bay Clyde mares, 1 bloods, and two yearlings 1 bloods. These will be sold in Eugene to the highest bidder on the 12th day of October, 1891, at 1 o'clock p. m. The mares are well broke, true and kind. Terms—A credit of 10 months, with the exception of one horse; notes with approved security at 10 per cent per annum. GEORGE B. BENTLEY.

THE ROAD TO WEALTH.

Cannot be successfully traveled without good health. To reach wealth or any coveted position in life requires the full possession and operation of all the faculties kind nature has endowed us with. These conditions cannot exist unless the physical being is in perfect working order, and this is impossible when the liver and spleen are torpid, thus obstructing the secretions, causing indigestion and dyspepsia, with all of their accompanying horrors. DR. HENLEY'S English Dandelion Tonic excites the healthy action, resolves the chronic engorgements, and promotes the secretory power, invigorates and constitutes, sharpens the appetite, tones up the entire system, and makes life worth living.

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I am now receiving my Fall stock of Dry Goods, and am showing full lines of seasonable goods in the following departments, viz:

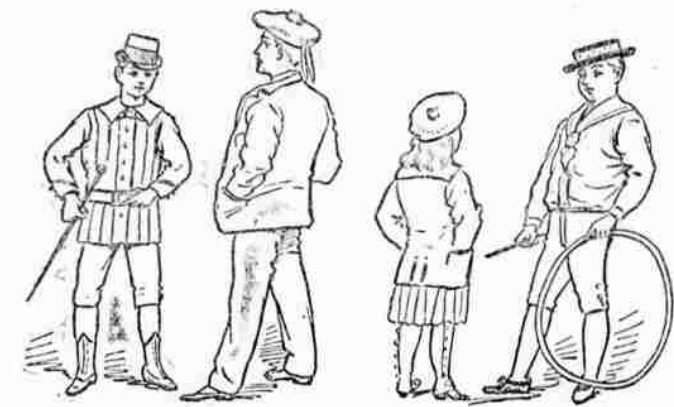
Silks and Velvets
Foreign Dress Goods
Black Dress Goods
Domestic Dress Goods
Shawls
Cloaks
Skirts
Underwear
Gloves
Hosiery
Boots and Shoes

Notions
Ribbons
Laces
White Goods
Linens
Carpets
Upholstery
Yarns
Corsets
Groceries

Woolens
Cloakings
Tailors' Trimmings
Bags, Warps and Batts
Flannels
Jeans and Cottonades
Blankets
Domestics
Gingham
Prints

Samuel E. Young.

"OUR - BOYS."



They like to dress well.
Their sisters want them to appear well.
Their mothers want warm, durable garments for them.
And their fathers want good value for the money.

Boys, Brings Your Sister, Mother and Father

To see the new Fall Stock of Boys Clothing, and get a present of a base ball and bat, a pair of stilts, a Castonet wheel or something else that will please you, when you buy a suit.

THERE IS MONEY IN IT

For everybody that buys of

L. E. BLAIN,

The Leading Clothier and Merchant Tailor.

CITY DRUG STORE.

Pfoiffer Block, Albany
Stanard & Cusick

Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Fancy and Toilet Articles, Sponges, Brushes, Perfumery, School Books, and Artists' Supplies.

Physicians' prescriptions carefully compounded.

INSURANCE.—Notice is hereby given that Mr. W. R. Buell is the special agent of the Farmers' & Merchants Insurance Co., of Albany, for Albany and vicinity, and he is the only one authorized to do business in this vicinity as such. J. D. W.

HOW DO YOU DO?

There is no doubt that

Will & Stark's

Stock of SILVERWARE, consisting of spoons, knives, forks, fruit knives, etc., gold and silver watches, jeweled, etc., is the largest and best in the city, and by far the best ever brought to ALBANY.

PRICES the Most Reasonable. Call and See the GOODS.

New Dress Goods.—I keep a full line of summer and fall dress goods, in wash fabrics, prints, gingham, seersuckers, etc. I have also a new line of summer plaids, besides other novelties in hosiery and all wool clothing. SAMUEL E. YOUNG.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR!

ASK THE PEOPLE OF LINN COUNTY

Where to get the Best Bargains,
Where to get the Best Value for Your Money,

Clothing, Dry Goods, Etc.,

And they will Answer with One Voice, at

G. W. SIMPSON'S.

ALLEN BROTHERS,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL GROCERS

CIGARS, TOBACCO, AND CHOICE FRUITS OF ALL KINDS, IN LARGE OR SMALL QUANTITIES, IN THEIR SEASON.

Flinn Block, ALBANY, OREGON

THE LADIES BAZAAR.

—Is the Leading—

Millinery and Fancy Goods Store of Albany,

They carry all the Latest Styles and Novelties in the Millinery line, and a complete stock of Ladies and Children's Furnishing goods, and ready-made garments. Goods the best, and prices the lowest. Call and be convinced.

FIRST STREET, FROMAN BLOCK

We are the People

Who carry the most complete line of Hardware, Stoves, Ranges, etc., in the market.

MATTHEWS & WASHBURN.

NOTICE OF SALE OF BONDS OF THE CITY OF ALBANY

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the treasurer of the city of Albany, Oregon, at his office, until the hour of two (2) o'clock P. M. 29th day of September, 1891, for the purchasing of the bonds of said city, to the amount of \$75,000, or any portion thereof, said bonds are of the denomination of \$1000 each, payable on the 1st day of October, 1911, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, both principal and interest payable in gold coin of the United States at the Anglo-California Bank [limited] San Francisco, California, and were authorized to be issued by an ordinance of said city, No. 225, approved on the 23rd day of September, 1891. The sealed proposals will be opened at the time first above mentioned, and the purchase will be awarded to the highest and best bidder; but the treasurer reserves the right to reject any and all proposals. Sept. 23rd 1891 H. FARWELL, Treasurer of the city of Albany.

NOTICE TO BRIDGE BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS.

NOTICE is hereby given to whom it may concern: That sealed bids will be received by the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, at the office of the County Clerk of said County and State, up to 1 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, October 7th 1891, for the construction of a County bridge across Thomas Creek at "Hannah's Crossing" in Linn County, Oregon, said bridge to be of the following dimensions, to-wit: Main span 160 feet long, 16 feet wide in the clear, main span to rest on bents or piers: North approach to be 76 feet and south approach to be 16 feet long. Bents under approaches 16 feet apart, both approaches to be protected by banisters. No bid will be considered unless accompanied with plans and specifications, and 5 per cent of bid in cash or certified check. The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids. N P PAYNE, County Clerk.

FOR SALE OR TRADE.—Will sell cheap for cash or trade for wood, four horses, varying in price from \$80 to \$120. Call at once at the marble shop next door to DEMOCRAT office.

WANTED, four or five acres of good bottom land, near Albany, for fruit. Apply to Peter Brown at Charles M. Hickman's.