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Ever see Gen. Corbin's old shoes? He had them made four years ago when he went to the Philippines, and he's wearing 'em yet. They're great. The general deposes a new pair of shoes or a new suit of clothes. A young fellow came along to his place near Washington recently and said:

"Sir, I don't want to ask for money, but I would be grateful if you would give me an old suit of clothes."  
"Not by a good sight," said the general, "but there is a new suit inside you can have." —New York Sun.

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"There's Irish, Frinch, Eytellians, Poles, Germans, Roossians, Greeks an'—"

Mr. Halloran stopped, and began again:

"There's Irish, Frinch, Eytellians, Poles, Germans, Roossians, Greeks—an' ain't it queer I disremember the other wan? There's Irish, Frinch—"

"Maybe 'twas Americans," suggested Mrs. Halloran.

"Sure, that's it," said her husband. "I couldn't think."

**MARK AND GARDEN**

To Make Poor Farm Rich.

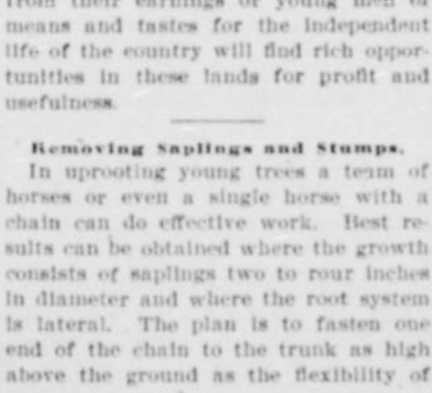
"The progressive farmer rotates his crops. He tile-drains his land. He keeps dairy cows or mutton sheep or both. He breeds draft horses and does farm work with brood mares and growing colts. He improves the power of the soil by growing legumes."  
James Wilson, secretary of agriculture, in the above words sums up the vital principles of good farming. He declares that the people of the United States have wasted the inheritance of land and wood, and the productiveness of the soil near the great centers of population has steadily decreased. We have been a nation of soil robbers, but there is at last an awakening—slow but sure.

Farmers of all sections are wanting to know how to stop the leaks and increase the deposits of their business and the government is helping them in many ways. There are over 9,000 persons employed in the Department of Agriculture and 2,000 of these are scientists, all working intelligently toward helping the farmer solve the problems which confront him. There are sixty-five land grant colleges with 10,000 students in agriculture. These boys are learning that rotation of crops is necessary, that live stock must be raised to make manure, of which there is never enough.

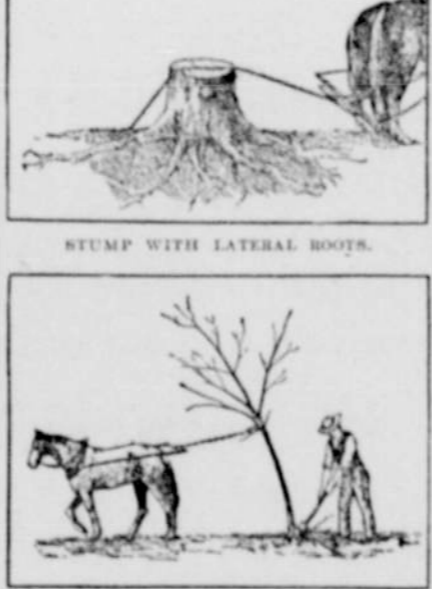
They are finding out that young grasses and legumes are nature's perfect ration for domestic animals. Milk and meat and work are had more cheaply from the pasture than from other sources. Pasture land increases as farm help becomes scarce. Mutton sheep are suggested when labor is dear. Cultivated crops reduce organic matter in the soil and render it unfit for profitable growing. Pasturing replaces organic matter. When good crops of grain or roots are wanted the pasture, plowed and reduced in season, is the best place to get them. Western farmers in the corn belt get their heavy crops from pasture land.

With the help of improved machinery the progressive individual farmer is producing much more than the average farmer did a generation ago and men of his class are keeping up the productive qualities of their farms.  
The neglected lands of the eastern and middle states can be brought back to their primitive fruitfulness through the aid of scientific farming. Secretary Wilson says they are the cheapest land in the country and people wanting homes who have saved a little capital from their earnings or young men of means and tastes for the independent life of the country will find rich opportunities in these lands for profit and usefulness.

Removing Saplings and Stumps.  
In uprooting young trees a team of horses or even a single horse with a chain can do effective work. Best results can be obtained where the growth consists of saplings two to four inches in diameter and where the root system is lateral. The plan is to fasten one end of the chain to the trunk as high above the ground as the flexibility of



STUMP WITH LATERAL ROOTS.



UPROOTING A SAPLING.

the tree will permit. While the horses are pulling at the tree a man should sever the roots at the base. Stumps of moderate size may also be pulled with chains and horses. One end of the chain should be fastened around a large root as shown in the illustration. By placing the chain across the top of the stump a leverage can be secured to take full advantage of the strength of the horses.

Believes in Mixed Farming.  
I firmly believe in mixed farming, but even then we must specialize on some certain line of stock feeding and rotation of crops if we make a decided success of the business. Call it general farming, but let's not call it mixed farming. As grandfather used to say, "Be something if you cannot be a long-tailed rat, be a mouse." Have some hobby, some kind of a crop or some kind of live stock and specialize on that and make your other farming subservient to that one special crop or kind of live stock feeding. We have too many common mixed farmers.—John C. Barnes, Indiana.

Annual Post Expense.  
An annual fence post bill of more than \$1,250,000 is one item in the expense account of the farmers of a single agricultural State. It is estimated that the farmers of Iowa use posts having a value exceeding this enormous sum each year to maintain the fences on the 25,000,000 acres of improved land in the State.

In making these estimates, H. P. Baker, professor of forestry in Iowa State Agricultural College, figured that the farms of Iowa required 78,000,000 posts for fences, or 2,000 to the square mile. Placing the value of the posts at 15 cents each, the cost of renewals every eight or nine years, which is the life of the post, is \$11,718,000, making an annual bill for renewals of \$1,465,000.

Like many other farming States, Iowa has a lack of fence post material, but there is little excuse for this condition, according to the foresters who have made studies in the State. A properly managed forest plantation will produce, when the trees have reached post size, 3,500 posts three to five inches in diameter per acre; thus, it would take 22,550 acres about every ten years to grow the necessary posts to supply the State. Iowa is said to have 200,000 acres of planted timber, and yet the fence post supply is insufficient. If properly cared for, many of these plantations can be made to produce more timber, and thus insure the future post supply.

These 200,000 acres are not at present furnishing the posts which it is estimated can actually be grown on 22,550 acres of properly handled forest land.

Effects of Rural Delivery.  
There is a veritable network of rural routes out of nearly all of the towns in this section of the State, and seldom does one find a farmer who is not placed in a position to take advantage of one. With present conditions existing, the man on the farm has the opportunity to take his daily paper as the one in town, and gets his mail sometimes earlier than many of the residents of the cities. There are rural mail carriers and rural mail carriers—each one has his striking characteristic. The majority are favorites in their particular field, and as a rule the patrons of his route would not trade him for any other man on any other. The carrier and the farmer learn to know each other, and the country visitor on hearing them greet each other would say they were both "good fellows." The man that carries the mail should have a whole lot of credit. He is obliged to make the trip in all kinds of weather and the best of protections will not make the job an enjoyable one. Some time when he is not busy, let the reader talk a few minutes to a rural mail carrier and he will find that he is in touch with everyone on the route.—Bloomington (Ill.) Pantagraph.

Cattle Have Rabies.  
Following the attack of a mad dog on his stock, Louis Klein, a farmer near Prairietown, has had to kill three head of cattle and four hogs which had become infected with rabies. The members of the family noticed that the dog acted peculiarly, but did not suspect that it was mad until too late. After the dog had bitten the stock it was killed by Klein, who feared that it would attack the members of his family.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Fighting the Potato Scab.  
Potato scab is a fungus growth. It may be in the soil or it may be in the seed. Plant seed that is free from scab on soil where no scabby potatoes have been grown for years. A preventive is to soak the seed in a solution of corrosive sublimate and water, two ounces of the corrosive sublimate to fifty gallons of water. Soak the seed one and one-half hours. Do not leave scabby potatoes lying on the ground or put them in the cellar.

Salt Purification.  
Salt is purified by melting in the new and rapid English process. The crude rock salt is fed automatically to a table contained in a large furnace, is then fused and runs into troughs, from which it is drawn at one side of the furnace into large cauldrons. Air is forced into the molten mass and lime is added. The impurities sink to the bottom, and the upper portion is ground and screened while the lower part is used for chemical manure.

Grind the Corn for the Horses.  
Corn and oats should be ground together for horses. Many good horsemen never feed whole corn. Some horses cannot digest it properly, but when it is ground with oats the mixture makes one of the best rations for a work team, especially when doing heavy work. Nearly all the large transportation companies in the cities never feed whole corn.

A Separator for Eight Cows.  
A correspondent asked if it would pay to buy a separator for a herd of eight cows.

Yes, by all means. It will not only pay for itself every year in the amount of cream saved, but the milk is better when fed warm from the separator to the young animals. The man who does not use a cream separator is suffering a large loss every month.

Murder Over a Line Fence.  
In a quarrel over a line fence near Broken Bow, Neb., Stewart Lanterman killed H. E. Hoffman and his son George, by cracking their skulls with a neckyoke. It is possible that more murders have been committed over line fence disputes than over any other trouble that arises between farmers.

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