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Queer Things Said of Farmers.

They say that the farmer subsisteth upon Jersey milk, spring lamb and chickens and regaleth himself with the fragrance of new-mown hay; that he rideth a sulky plow and reaper instead of stumbling over the clods of the valley, and weareth a hickory shirt and butternut pants without fear of molestation or abuse; that he riseth early betimes and sitteth up late that he may fill his barn and store-house with plenty, and subscribes for some good weekly paper and pays for it, that he may store his mind with useful knowledge. He getteth out of bed at 4 o'clock in the morning and stirreth up the maidservant out of her lair, while he warmeth himself and is comforted by the kitchen fire. He eateth his breakfast by candlelight, while the weary wife of his bosom and mother of his children longs for the peaceful, happy days of her childhood. He growleth and is sore distressed if it rains, and anon he beateth his breast, and repineth at the severity of the drought, saying: "Alas! my crop is ruined." Verily, the rains do blight his wheat; the frost nippeth his standing corn, potato bugs ravage his fields and the assessor saddleth him with galling taxes. He payeth for insurance on his buildings for twenty years and then letteth his policy lapse one day, and the same night a fire destroyeth his home. His daughter marrieth a man of culture and wealth, becoming the proud mistress of a palatial mansion, and in a few short years he buildeth a lean-to to his habitation, to shelter them and their children. He selleth his farm and moveth to Kansas, and there slaketh his thirst with alkali water and corn-juice. A cyclone catcheth him at midday and sweepeth his house, stock and fences into Missouri, while he sheltereth and preserveth the lives of his little ones in a "dug-out." He maketh his will at the end of his days and dieth; and the lawyer of his widow and of his first wife's children straightway take possession of and divide his inheritance.

Selecting Commercial Fertilizers.

I have been greatly impressed of late that many do not make a proper selection of commercial fertilizers; not that they fail to select standard goods made by trustworthy parties, but that they do not select the right sort for the crops they are intended to manure—do not select the brand which contains the right proportion of the important ingredients of which it is composed. One very striking instance of this, is that there has been sold in this vicinity during the past spring, by a dealer, a large quantity of a brand of super-phosphate which contains no potash whatever, but which contained a large per cent. of phosphoric acid, being intended for grain.

This shows that few of those who purchase commercial fertilizers are able to select what they want; hence the importance of the subject. I am not writing to instruct scientific men, but to throw some light in the paths of a large majority of farmers who, I believe from observation, know nothing about the ingredients of which the fertilizers they buy are composed.

From a piece of land which is fairly fertile, we ought to be able to obtain a large crop if we had just the right manure, or a special manure for it; and when we purchase our manures in so condensed a form, and can purchase so many different kinds, we ought to be able to obtain special manures. For instance, I have a field which contains a fair proportion of potash, phosphoric acid, silicic acid, &c. I desire to sow the field with wheat. Wheat not requiring such an extraordinary quantity of potash, I have enough of that to grow a large crop; but wheat contains a large per cent. of phosphoric acid, so I will put much of this on the field. I have supplied to the field all that is necessary to raise a large crop. But I pay no attention to these facts, and purchase anything convenient. I may get a brand which contains nearly all potash instead of phosphoric acid, which would be like purchasing a coat to keep my feet warm, or I may get a brand which contains them in about equal proportions, which would do better but yet not be right.

Let me say to every one: Know what you are getting every time when you purchase. The three important, or most important, elements of plant food are plainly marked on every package of commercial fertilizers; namely, nitrogen (generally in the form of ammonia, and it so reads) phosphoric acid and potash. If one of them is wanting in the label, rest assured that the package does not contain it. Phosphoric acid is a grain producer; nitrogen, leaf and stalk producer, and potash holds a predominance in hops, potatoes, tobacco and clover.—Country Gentleman.

Guiteau's Curse.

The troubles of Gen. Swaim, who was Garfield's near friend and consequently an active supporter of the Guiteau prosecution, brings to mind the statement of the assassin in his last days that his curse would follow all those who had to do with his punishment. It is curious fact that misfortunes have come to a large number of those directly connected with his trial. One of the jurors, Michael Sheehan, is now in the insane asylum; another, Heinlein, is dead; the third, Hobbs, has lost his wife; another is reported to be suffering from a combination of mental and physical troubles. Of the officers of the court, Marshal Henry has suffered decapitation; one of the deputies, Joe Tall, who had charge of Guiteau, has since died. Deputy Marshall Williams was also decapitated. Perry Carson and James Ledyard have lost their official positions, as has also District Attorney Corkhill. Of the friends of Garfield who were, of course anxious to see his murderer punished, only one, Superintendent Rockwell, remains undisturbed in his position.

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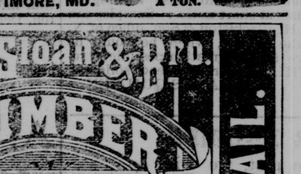

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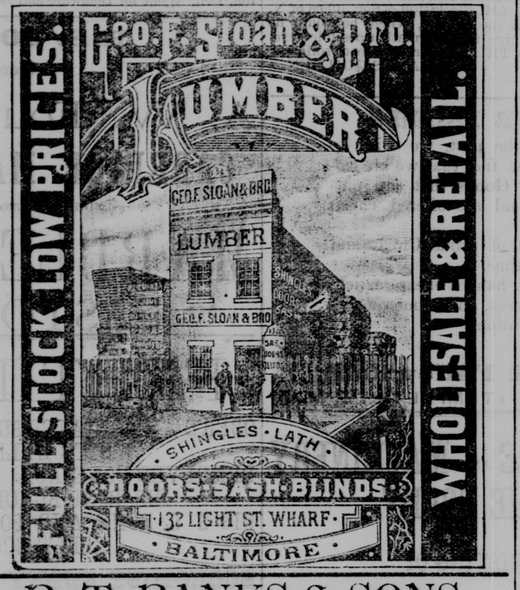

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