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Steamer will leave Baltimore Thursdays at 7.00 A. M., for Betterton, Sassafras River Landings and Tolchester, returning same day.

Leave Fredericktown at 12.00 noon, Betterton 1.00 P. M., Worton Manor 1.45 P. M., Tolchester 3.00 P. M., arriving in Baltimore at 5.00 P. M.

TOLCHESTER ROUTE

Steamer will leave Baltimore Saturday, January 6th and 20th, 1917; Saturday, February 3d and 17th, 1917; Saturday, March 3d, 1917, at 7.00 A. M. and 2 30 P. M.

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GEOMETRY ON THE BROILER.

As a Study It Is Pretty Well Roasted by This Caustic Critic.

Euclid is a gentleman from whom credentials ought to be required. He has long held a prominent place in education as a matter of tradition. "Just why should John and Sally study plane geometry, and indeed how does it come about that they are studying it?" That is a question which cannot be put too plainly to teachers of mathematics.

I shall consider for a moment two possible answers: Geometry is useful, you may be told, or geometry affords excellent mental discipline. Geometry is useful. Well, how useful and in what ways? Professor David E. Smith, professor of the teaching of mathematics in Teachers' college, tells us, "Not more than 25 per cent of the propositions (in geometry) have any genuine applications outside of geometry." And a distinguished physicist has assured me that the 75 per cent of propositions that are of no use are not even needed to prove the 25 per cent that are of some use. The teachers of plane geometry have therefore a very considerable task if they are going to justify the time spent on geometry on the ground that geometry is useful.

Nor is their task easier if they take the other horn of the dilemma. Suppose one did get "mental discipline" from geometry. Is it the sort of mental discipline that life calls for and gives?

Geometry as taught is a deductive science. That is, from certain assumptions called axioms and postulates a long series of propositions is developed. If the study of geometry really developed that kind of thinking, whom would it help but lawyers? For practical life calls for a very different type of thinking.

In actual life people observe, or they should observe, and on this basis make a limited inference which leads to action. If the action taken fails, they observe further, construct other hypotheses and act again. It is the method of trial on error.

If there is to be any mental discipline, ought it not to be of the type represented by science rather than the type represented by the conventional treatment of geometry? — Abraham Flexner in Atlantic Monthly.

Evelyn and the Simplon Pass.

The Simplon pass was a famous highway of travel long before Napoleon constructed the highroad. Milton came home that way from his grand tour, and so did John Evelyn. The latter traveler went in fear of his life, not only expecting avalanches to fall on him, but being apprehensive lest bears and wolves should assail him. The only actual harm which happened, however, was that his companion's dog killed a goat belonging to one of the peasants and that heavy compensation had to be paid—"a pistole," says the diary, "for the goat and ten more for attempting to ride away."

Just Three Things.

In the American Magazine a Chicago business man tells how he regained his health after a nervous breakdown when he was forty-eight. He says:

"Just three things are absolute necessities for the smooth running and longevity of these human machines of ours. They are pure air, pure water and plain food. Food alone has a price. Both air and water are God's free gifts. And yet not one person in ten thousand breathes enough pure air, not one in a thousand drinks enough pure water, and nearly all of us eat too much."

Long Journeys Made by Whales.

The whales that swim about the islands which lie off the coast of Norway and Finland in March and April travel immense distances. In May they turn up at the Azores or even at the Bermudas and sometimes pay a visit to the Antilles. They swim fast, for in June they are back again off Norway. Some of these whales have been known to bring back evidences of where they have been, for harpoons of the peculiar kind used off the coast of South America have been found stuck in them.—St. James' Gazette.

Albinos.

The human species offers frequent examples of individuals attacked by albinism. It is found oftenest among men of the black race. White albinos have skin of a peculiar paleness, blond hair, white or colorless beard, pink iris and red pupils. The negro albino has skin of variable aspect. In some cases it is white as milk and in others it is like wax or, rather, resembles the hue of a corpse.

Natural Curiosity.

"Madam," said the persuasive agent, "I have here an article that no housewife can afford to do without."

"Huh," replied the sallow faced woman at the door, "I've done without so many things since I married Mr. Perkins I'd jest natcherly like to see somethin' I can't afford ter do without!"—Birmingham Age-Herald.

They All Do Then.

"Tell me, is there ever a time when you feel that you really hate your husband?"

"Yes. The times when he telephones me at the last minute that he won't be home to supper."—Detroit Free Press.

Going Out.

"I live in the country."

"Do you provide railroad fare?" asked the prospective cook.

"One way."—Kansas City Star.

Of the good man a good pledge and of the bad neither pledge nor surety.—Portuguese Proverb.

Testing Ideas.

I say wisdom is gathered on foot, along country roads. Collect your ideas where you can, alley, boulevard, office, lecture hall, theater, dinner table, library, wharf, picture gallery, street car, opera house, curbstone or courtroom, but test them on the road. Confronted with the realities of soil and salt water and the character shaped by these they will look vastly less momentous or vastly more so.—Atlantic Monthly.

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MANURE SHOULD HAVE PROPER CARE

No Product Of Equal Value Is So Much Neglected.

MANURE HAS A MONEY VALUE

Every Step Should Be Made To Preserve All Manure Made On Farm.

College Park, Dec. 7.—At this season of the year the attention of the farmer should be called to the importance of the conservation of manure. In one of the correspondence lessons written by Dr. H. J. Patterson, Director, Experiment Station, the following advice is given concerning the case of manure:

Even though manure is regarded highly by all farmers in sections where fertilizers are needed, nevertheless there is probably no product of equal value which is so much neglected and so poorly cared for.

The first great source of loss is through the incomplete absorption of the urine. It is not infrequent that no attempt is made to save this portion of the manure. When it is remembered that the urine is richer in both nitrogen and potash than the dung, and that they are more available to crops in the urine than in the dung, it should be self-evident to all that it is highly essential that this part of the manure be carefully saved.

The second greatest source of waste of manure is the loss incurred by leaching. If manure is piled against the side of the stable where the water from the roof can drip on it, or if it is piled on the hillside or other exposed places, the rain water in leaching through the manure washes out of it much nitrogen and potash, which is seen in the dark brown liquid oozing from the base of the pile.

The third common source of loss is that incurred by heating and fermenting. When manure is thrown in piles, it soon heats and throws off more or less vapor and gas. This heating is caused by fermenting or breaking down of the materials composing the manure. The fermentation is caused by the action of bacteria or low orders of microscopic plants. The bacteria which produces the most rapid fermentation in manure need plenty of air or oxygen. Therefore, fermentation will be more rapid in loosely piled manure. A certain amount of moisture is necessary for fermentation, but if the manure is wet, fermentation is checked because it lowers the temperature and excludes part of the supply of air.

The fermentation which takes place in manure breaks down the organic matters and causes a loss of humus, and also of nitrogen through the ammonium compounds which are volatilized. The odor of ammonia which is commonly noticeable about horse stables and piles of horse manure is an evidence of the fermentation and loss which is taking place.

Care Of Manure.

The first step to be taken in the care of manure, so as to prevent the losses mentioned above, is to provide sufficient bedding or litter in the stable to absorb and save all the liquor parts.

The losses due to fermentation can be greatly checked by mixing horse manure with the colder cow manure; by making the piles compact as to exclude the air; and by moistening the pile so as to assist in excluding the air and also to lower the temperature. The use of chemicals or mechanical absorbents, such as peat, kainit, phosphate rock, etc., in the stable and sprinkled over the manure, assists in preserving the manure and preventing loss. Losses from washing or leaching by rain may be prevented by piling under cover or in favorable basin-like places, or still better, by hauling it directly to the field and spreading it as soon as it is produced.

Application Of Manure.

In order to reduce the loss in manure to a minimum, and also to economize in handling it, the general aim and practice should be to haul it directly from the stable to the field and spread it at once. On the average farm the following of this practice all through the year would result in less loss than any method that could be pursued.

The use of rotted manure rather than fresh manure is desirable in connection with many market garden or vegetable crops, as it gives quicker results and with root crops will give a smoother and nicer product.

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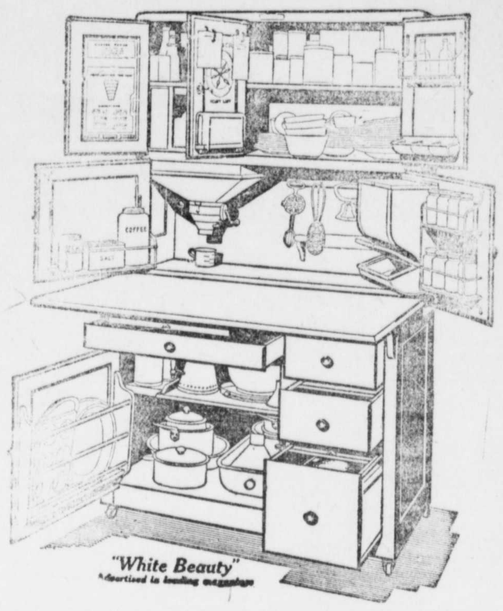

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Returning, steamer leaves Chestertown for Baltimore, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 8.00 A. M., weather and tide permitting, stopping at the above landings, arriving in Baltimore about 2 P. M.

Steamer will leave Baltimore, Pier 9, Light St., weather and tide permitting, Wednesdays at 6.00 P. M., stopping at: *Cliffs, *Quaker Neck, *Booker's, *Riverside, *Rolph's, *Piney Grove, Chestertown, *Deep Landing, Crumpton.
*Stop on Signal.

Returning, steamer will leave Crumpton, weather and tide permitting, for Baltimore, Thursday at 2.00 P. M., Chestertown 5.00 P. M., stopping at the above landings.

This time-table shows the times at which steamers may be expected to arrive at and depart from the several wharves, but their arrivals or departures at the times stated is not guaranteed, nor does the Company hold itself responsible for any delay or any consequences arising therefrom.

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