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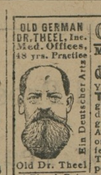

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MAKING LIFE ATTRACTIVE FOR FARMERS' DAUGHTERS

Country Girl Winner Of $20 Prize In Maryland Week State-Wide Competition Tells What Makes For Contentment.

VIRGINIA LOUISE BYRD, Of Worcester County.

In making the farmer's daughter happy, attractive country homes are first to be considered. The farmer's daughter should see to it that the farm house is tastily painted or whitewashed, the lawn well laid out, and sufficiently large to admit of flowers and shrubbery that she can easily care for herself; that the barns and other necessary out-buildings are far enough away from the house to insure good sanitation. Then if we add water, lights, and heat, much has been done to better social conditions, since our thoughts and feelings in a great measure are in keeping with our surroundings.

Such a home will want the latest magazines and books that are worth while, the reading of which will not only cultivate the tastes and desires, but open to them larger possibilities. A piano, a Victrola or some other musical instruments should not be lacking in adding to the refinement and pleasures of home life for the farmer's daughter.

She should, of course, be independent enough to hitch up her own horse and buggy whenever she needs it, and will thus be able to greatly improve her opportunities for social intercourse. In addition to this, occasional automobile trips can be arranged to more distant friends or to attend something attractive at the theater or opera for the automobile is no longer a luxury, but a necessity of country life. With such conveniences as rural mail delivery, telephones, parcel post, and automobiles, distance is no longer a drawback and the system of good roads which our State is building ha already done much to better our social conditions.

EARNING EGG MONEY.

The farmers' daughters can earn money for herself in some home industry such as the poultry business on a small scale, or by having a vegetable garden whose products can be marketed at the near-by town, while she enjoys the ride delivering them, or if she has more vegetables than she can dispose of at the home market, she can ship them by parcel post. Dairy products, poultry, and eggs can be disposed of in the same way. Such things can be and are being done by many a farmer's daughter, who is well-educated, well-read, and is conversant in some degree at least with the public questions of the day.

The farmer's daughter in any community should never out-grow the country school. She shoould teach it herself, for she knows best the existing conditions of the children and having common interests can best serve them. Further, the establishment of high schools in many rural districts is doing much to better the social conditions of the country, making it possible for her to receive something more than a "common school education" such as has been regarded for generations "good enough" for the farmer's daughter.

FEEDING DAMAGED GRAIN A POOR PRACTICE.

ROY H. WAITE, Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station.

There is always a temptation when mouldy or spoiled grain is around to give it to the chickens so as not to waste it. While often no ill effects follow this practice, still there is considerable danger attached to the practice. The argument is often advanced that chickens running around naturally at large, eat feed in whatever state they find it, and still keep perfectly healthy. This may be true, but under these conditions the birds probably do not get an especially large "dose" of any one particular kind of spoiled grain and their digestive system is able to handle it.

Where one feels he simply must feed damaged grain to poultry some precautions should be taken. It might be fumigated to kill the mould spores or it could be heated up to a high temperature on the kitchen stove, small quantities being thus treated as used. Another method might be to scald the grain with boiling water a short time before feeding. The safest method if it is at all bad, is to use the feed for fuel.

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Tricked Him.

It was pay day at the Consolidated Coal and Lumber works, and a mine worker was returning home with his monthly envelope. He met a bad man with a pistol, who demanded his wages. The worker handed the money over.

"Now," said he, "my wife will think that I've gambled or drunk. Won't you shoot a hole in my coat, so that I can prove that I was attacked and robbed?"

"Why, certainly so," answered the robber.

The worker held out his coattail while the other punctured it with a bullet.

"Another," begged the worker, and the other fired again.

"Another," and there was another hole in the garment, another and still another.

"That's all the cartridges I've got," said the robber.

"All the cartridges you've got?" said the worker, picking up a rock. "Then give back that money. Hand over your pistol and whatever else you happen to have."—National Monthly.

Whistler and a Supper.

Though frequently hard up, Whistler had an income which seemed princely to students who lived on nothing at all. If Whistler had money in his pockets, Mr. Ionides says, he spent it royally on others. If his pockets were empty, he managed to refill them in a way that still amazes M. Oulevey, who, in proof of it, told us of the night when, after the cafe where they had squandered their last sous on kirsch had closed, he and Lambert and Whistler adjourned to the Halles for supper, ordered the best and ate it. Then he and Lambert stayed in the restaurant as hostages while Whistler, at dawn, went off to find money to pay. He was back when they awoke with 300 or 400 francs in his pocket. He had been to see an American friend, he said, a painter, "And, do you know, he had the bad manners to abuse the situation; he insisted on my looking at his pictures."—"The Life of James MacNeill Whistler," by E. R. and J. Pennell.

Methuselah Practiced It.

Says Benjamin Franklin in his little essay "On the Art of Procuring Pleasant Dreams:"

"It is recorded that Methusalem, who being the longest liver, may be supposed to have best preserved his health, that he slept always in the open air, for when he had lived 500 years an angel said to him, 'Arise, Methusalem, and build thee an house, for thou shalt live 500 years longer.' But Methusalem answered and said: 'If I am to live but 500 years longer, it is not worth while to build me an house. I will sleep in the air, as I have been used to do.'"

This dialogue is not reported in the fifth chapter of Genesis, to be sure, but it is reproduced here out of respect to Franklin as evidence that outdoor sleeping is no fad, but a wise return to the manners of our ancestors.—Harper's Weekly.

Profit In Arresting Deserters.

"The members of the police department are continually on the watch for deserters from the army or navy," explained the man about town. "The reason is that the government sets a price of $25 upon the deserter's head. Of course policemen are anxious to gain the reward and are on the watch.

"The Bowery is the district most frequented by deserters, and that is the first place in the city where search is made for them. A score of deserters are picked up along this thoroughfare every year.

"Before a member of the police department can acept the reward for catching a deserter his claim must be approved by the commissioner. Even then he does not draw the entire amount, for the usual deduction for the police pension fund is made."—New York Sun.

An Arab View of New York.

An Arab who visited New York city is said to have sent this letter home: "People in America travel like rats under the ground [meaning the subway], and like squirrels in the air [meaning the elevated railways], and the buildings are so high that people have to be put in square boxes and pulled to the top by heavy ropes [meaning the elevator]. In the day the sun furnishes the light the same as in Morocco. At night the light is as strong as the day, but people here do not seem to have much use for sleep, as the streets are just as crowded at night as in the day."—Outlook.

Misfit Tails.

It was Robert's first visit to the zoo.

"What do you think of the animals?" inquired Uncle Ben.

After a critical inspection of the exhibit the boy replied:

"I think the kangaroo and the elephant should change tails."—Youngstown Telegram.

That Held Him.

Wife—Henry, you need a rest. Let us go to Bongtong Springs. Hub—That place! Why, it's only fit for women and fools. Wife—I know it. Let's go there together.—Boston Transcript.

Athletic.

"I don't think," said an old lady, "that bookkeeping is a very sedative employment. There must be so much exercise in running up the columns."

Secrets.

A man can keep the secret of another better than his own. A woman, on the contrary, keeps her own better than that of another.—La Bruyere.

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The Grange is the organization of the whole country community, vitally interested in the betterment of the home as well as the improvement of the farm, open to men and women alike and ready to include in its membership the boys and girls who are fast growing into the active life of their neighborhood. The Grange is the educator of the farmer in better farming methods, in better business practice, and in better country life. The first object of the Grange is to train the farmer to help himself and find himself.

The social side of the Grange is the side that really touches the farmer first and brings his family into closer touch with the other people of the neighborhood. Too often the country neighborhood is broken up into social sets or circles or again there is little or no social life at all. "Things are dead," the young folks will tell you, "nothing doing around these parts!" The Grange changes this. The Grange is broad enough to take into it every interest in country life and every one interested in it. It brings people together who have had hardly a bowing acquaintance. It makes them feel free to speak their thoughts out in "open meeting" without fearing too much what this or that neighbor will say. It brings home to them the fact that they are all members of a common neighborhood and engaged in the common and united effort of making it a more desirable place in which to live. If the Grange accomplished nothing else but the making of better neighbors and better neighborhood spirit, it would be still well worth while. Copies of the program for the State Grange meeting will be gladly mailed to any one writing to the State Lecturer, College Park, Md.

SELECTING PROFITABLE LAYERS FROM THE FARM FLOCK.

ROY H. WAITE, Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station.

At this season of the year the question of how to pick out the laying hen often comes up. Many have recommended the use of trap nests. This may sound very well to persons who have had no actual experience with them, but any one who has looked after trap nests knows that it is no simple matter. Attention has to be given at intervals every day if a complete record is to be had. They have to be looked after Sundays and holidays as well as other days, fourth of July and Christmas included. Of course, trap nests have their place, but it isn't in the hen house of the average farmer or poultryman. How then is the poultry keeper going to pick out the business hen? It is quite a simple matter. The hardest problem perhaps is how to get hold of the birds. If one doesn't mind spending an evening now and then with the chickens they can be easily handled after dark. If the work must be done during the day a sort of darkened corner can be fenced off in the poultry house and the birds driven in where they can be very readily caught.

LAYERS IN THE MAKING.

Each bird should be handled separately and the following points noted: General condition of plumage, color and condition of head and comb, relative size of comb depending on breed or strain, general condition of body as regards flesh, condition of the abdomen and the distance apart of the two pelvic bones. If the plumage is healthy and glossy (this depends somewhat on season of the year) the head parts and comb a healthy red, the comb firm and large for the breed or strain, the body well fleshed, the abdomen full and distended but not with a big chunk of fat, and you find you can get at least three fingers of your hand between the pelvic bones which are located just below the vent, you may be certain the fowl is in laying condition. The width of the pelvic bones alone is not a safe guide because the distance varies considerably before and after laying. A hen might be rejected as a non-layer that just laid.

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