

FOR FARM AND GARDEN.

Remove the Calf Early. R. M. M. writes: It is great cruelty to allow a calf to suck its dam several weeks and then remove it.

Some good farmers are re-adopting the old method of threshing their oat crops with a flail, leaving the work to be done in the winter.

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How to Build a Cistern. The following directions for constructing a cistern are worthy of all acceptance.

Stabled Animals. Farmers who pride themselves upon their nice horses and cattle are not aware, perhaps, that a dark stable is a source of serious discomfort to a horse especially.

Farm and Garden Notes.

Salt plentifully sprinkled on the icy doorstep will have a better and cleaner effect than ashes.

When butter is gathered in the churn in granular form it is never overchurned. Pounding it after it is in a lump or large mass is what overchurns it.

To wholly abandon a staple crop or product because it is temporarily unprofitable is to lose one's hold on the market when it becomes profitable again.

Cows fed on meal mixed with straw cut and moistened, says Prof. Arnold, give more milk and considerably richer, than when fed on the best hay alone.

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QUAINT AND CURIOUS.

N. Varole, a surgeon and physician of Bologna, is said to have discovered the optic nerves about 1538.

A large white swan flew down William Henderson's chimney at Swansea and put out the kitchen fire.

The first Christian church in England is said to have been erected at Glastonbury, Somerset, about A. D. 60.

An Amati violin, which originally belonged to Louis XIV., has recently been sold at Bud.-Pesth for £700.

There is a mountain of coal in Wyoming which has been burning for thirty years. It sends up dense volumes of smoke.

The first book containing musical characters was issued in 1495 from the press of the celebrated "Wynken de Worde."

An object six feet high cannot be seen at a distance of 10 miles, owing to the curvature of the earth, which is said to be seven inches to the mile.

The biggest tree in California—and it is a monster indeed—is the "Keystone State" in the Calaveras grove. It is 325 feet high and 45 feet in circumference.

A goat with a red beard inhabits certain islands of the Grecian Archipelago. It is said to be found nowhere else in the world.

Wonders of Electricity.

The Electric Club, of New York, was thrown open recently. At the very threshold the visitor was dazzled with a brilliant display of electric light.

A notable gathering of women will be held in New York city under the auspices of the National Woman's Suffrage Association on March 25.

"Now Mary Ann," said the teacher, addressing the foremost of the class in mythology, "who was it that supported the world on his shoulders?"

HAPPINESS is an art, and we have to learn how to be happy, just as we have to learn how to be good.

Much has been written and said about how to make one happy. The moralist and the preacher have tackled this theme until it would seem nothing more remained to be said.

For the fifth year a comical crow has come with the first snow to the home of a correspondent of the London Field.

I am in debt for the following anecdote to Mr. Nasmith, who is not only a great inventor and scientist, but an extraordinary repository of anecdote.

Small eggs are often caused by fowls getting too fat. When you know it to be a fact that the hen is getting old, the probability is this is the cause of the small sized eggs and the diminution of the quantity.

Most farmers do not attach the value they should to the milk after the cream has been taken off. There are possibilities with milk and eggs beyond the vision of the average farmer.

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