

Sunday Reading.

THE POWER OF PRAYER.

From the North Carolina Presbyterian.
In continuing our remarks on this subject, we cite as a third example of this power, the deliverance which was granted to a feeble kingdom, when invaded by a foreign army.

Sennacherib, King of Assyria, with a mighty, and seemingly invincible army, had invaded the land of Judea, and threatened to lay waste the city of Jerusalem, and lead the inhabitants into captivity. He sent messengers with a letter to Hezekiah, warning him of the danger of resistance, desiring the King of Israel, and boasting of the victories he had gained over other nations, and ready to play in the easy conquest he would gain over the kingdom of Judah. In this extremity, and with the possibility of receiving assistance from any neighboring nation, the pious King Hezekiah sent a message to the prophet Isaiah, notifying him of his danger, and they prayed unto the God of their fathers, believing that he would afford the protection so much needed.

Did the Lord disappoint their expectations? Was the proud and haughty King of Assyria permitted to triumph over his feeble enemy? The answer to these questions will be found in the 2nd book of Chronicles, xxi. 20, 22, &c.

While the holy men were praying to the God of Israel, and obediently relying upon his good promises, he sent his angel and destroyed one hundred and eighty-five thousand of the chosen men of Sennacherib's army. See 2d Kings xix. 35.

Was not this a remarkable deliverance, and was it not granted in answer to earnest prayer? The power of prayer is also illustrated in the case of Elshah, when surrounded by an army of heathen. King of Syria—He had gone up to wage war with the King of Israel, and understanding that Elshah, by his wife's power, was preserving the besieged city from falling into his power, and knowing that the prophet Isaiah at Bethan, had been sent by the Lord to Elshah, and a great host: and they came by night, and compassed the city about.

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had but a few hours to live, and the disciples seem to have determined to spend the whole night in earnest supplication, and even whilst they are pleading and wrestling with God, behold an angel is sent down from heaven, the fetters are knocked off Peter's hands, the guards are thrown into a profound slumber, the ponderous iron gate is opened, and the prisoner is at liberty. After such an example of the power of prayer as this, how could the disciples fail to have recourse to it in all their times of trouble? In closing these extended remarks, we wish to make three observations: and 1.—The importance of such prayer in affliction, both individual and family. James 5: 14, 16. 2. Its importance in times of spiritual declension in the church. 3. In reference to those who are dead in trespasses and sins. The Lord teach both the writer and reader how to pray effectually and fervently! J. P. M.

Agricultural.



COVERING MANURES.
The following is from the American farmer. It is agricultural gospel and should be treasured up and practiced. It will save you money as well as soil. This practical—it has been tested. You may rely upon it. Read it again.

It has been said with great propriety and truth that manure is the farmer's gold mine, and we will add, the manure is to the vegetable kingdom what blood is to the animal system, the source of life. We, therefore, most earnestly advise, say, conjure every agriculturist to exert himself by every possible means in his power to accumulate everything that may be convertible into manure, and when accumulated, to protect it from the sun, and soil rain.

But few ever think how great a loss they sustain, by permitting their manure to be exposed, to the sun, the wind and the rains, and as few reflect that ten loads of manure, well taken care of, are intrinsically worth more and will go further as a fertilizer than twenty loads kept without regard to the preservation of its more enriching properties. Many a farmer, through want of attention, suffers his dung pile to become exhausted of its principles of fertility, long before he hauls it out to the ground for use—and many, after hauling it out, permit it to remain unplaced in for weeks, thus exposing it to further loss—and then perchance, blames either his land or manure for the fault which should properly attach to himself, for having failed to preserve the properties of his manure.

Every body of manure should be kept covered with earth a few inches in depth, until taken out for use, and when taken to the field should be plowed in as speedily as possible, or made pits, as thrown from the cart or wagon, should be covered with the surrounding earth or soil, and that exposed with a shovel. But this kind of care, owing to the high price of labor in our country, is more than can be expected from the generality of farmers—therefore, at present, all that can be expected is this, that the cattle and other yards should be sufficiently filled in form as to prevent the richness of the manure from being wasted by running away on the occurrence of each succeeding rain; that each yard should be provided with a large body of rough vegetable matter and earth—say to the extent of six or eight inches of earth in depth over the surface of each yard, the dirt pile form being preserved in spreading—to absorb the liquid runnings of the stock, and that plaster of charcoal be strewn over the yard every few days to arrest the volatile gases—and further, as the excrements of the animals accumulate a few inches in depth through the yard, earth should receive additional coverings of earth.

CULTIVATION OF CUCUMBERS.
Last spring a friend of mine and myself were planting cucumbers at the same time. I was planting mine, as usual in garden, by making a small portion of stable manure with the earth, and raising the hill an inch or two above the surface of the ground. Observing it, he jeeringly remarked, "Let me show you how to raise cucumbers." Since having much luck in raising them, I cheerfully agreed to his proposition. He commenced by making holes in the earth, at the distance intended for the hills, that would hold about a peck—he then filled them with dry leached ashes, covering the ashes with a very small quantity of earth. The seeds were then planted on a level with the surface of the ground. I was willing to see the experiment tried, but had no expectation of anything but a loss of seed, labor and soil—that imagine my astonishment, (overestimating a drier season was never known, and almost a universal failure of garden vegetables) when I beheld vines remarkably thrifty, and as fine a crop of cucumbers as any one could wish to raise, and they continued to bear for an unusually long time. I will not philosophize on the subject—but say to all, try it; and instead of throwing your ashes away, apply it where it will be of use, and you will reap a rich reward.

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ment the writer had made in the previous season. It consisted in inserting a pea in each potatoe set, and planting the potatoe set in the usual way. The result, he stated, was a large yield of peas and a splendid crop of potatoe, but the most important result was the entire freedom of potatoe from disease, while all those planted in the usual way in the same field were extensively deteriorated. I was led by this statement to try the experiment on a small scale in my own garden this season. I planted not quite half a peck, only fifty sets, in six ranks, cutting a piece out of each, and putting a pea firmly in. The peas grew up and flourished well, and last week I dug the potatoe. They were perfectly free from all taint or speck of disease, and very fine and large, while in the same bed close to them, was another lot planted in the old style, nearly half of which were rotten.—I leave your readers to draw their own conclusion.—Letter to the Agricultural Gazette.

THE HOLLOW HORN.
An agricultural paper says:—"The disease in cattle known as 'hollow horn,' is causing an annual loss to be estimated by millions of dollars in this State alone. This disease is spinal, caused by the hide of the animal adhering to the bones of the back, and preventing circulation; and may be cured as follows:—Rub with the hands, with as much force and friction as possible, the hide of the animal, on the back bone, from the tail to the horns, thereby restoring circulation. Every animal should be examined and subjected to this process every February and March, to prevent the disease."

SMALL BEER.—For making three gallons of beer, or one gallon; take one quart of West India molasses, one ounce essence of spruce, one ounce essence of wintergreen, half an ounce essence of vanilla; fill the pail with hot water, mix well, let it stand till it has become blood warm then add one pint of yeast; let it remain ten or twelve hours, bottle, and in three hours it will be fit for use, and first rate.

AYER'S CHERRY PECTORAL.
FOR THE RAPID CURE OF COLDS, COUGHS, AND HOARSENESS.
Beware, Man, of the Fall. The Fall is the season of the year when the most dangerous diseases are most prevalent. It is the season when the lungs are most exposed to the action of the cold winds, and when the system is most weakened by the loss of the summer's heat. It is the season when the most fatal diseases are most prevalent. It is the season when the most fatal diseases are most prevalent. It is the season when the most fatal diseases are most prevalent.

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SARSAPARILLA.
FOR PURIFYING THE BLOOD, AND FOR THE CURE OF SCROFULA, MERCURIAL POISON, SYPHILITIC TUBERCLES, BRUISES, BURNS, AND ALL THE AFFECTIONS OF THE SKIN, AND ALL THE AFFECTIONS OF THE BLOOD.

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FOR WIND AND INFLAMED EYES.
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