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Noah Brooks, who tells for the boys of today "The True Story of

the following from Marco: Now you must know that this city

held out against the great khan for

three years after the rest of Manzi

troops made incessant attempts to

take it, but they could not succeed

because of the great and deep wa-

ters that were round about it, so

You must know that when the

able to take it they were greatly

chafed thereat. Then Messer Nicolo

Polo and Messer Maffeo and Messer

way of forcing the city to surrender

speedily," whereupon those of the army replied that they would be

right glad to know how that should

be. All this talk took place in the

presence of the great khan, for messengers had been dispatched

from the camp to tell him that there

was no taking the city by blockade,

how. Then spoke up the two broth-

ers and Messer Marco the son and

the garrison will never be able to

stand them, but will surrender at

once as soon as the mangonels or

immediately enused timber to be

brought as much as they desired and

fit for the work in hand. And they

had two men among their followers,

a German and a Nestorian Christian,

who were masters of that business.

and these they directed to construct

two or three margonels capable of

casting stones of 300 pounds weight.

for use the emperor and the others

were greatly pleased to see them

veled greatly and greatly praised

thework, and the khan ordered that

the engines should be carried to his

army, which was at the leaguer of

And when the engines were got to

up, to the great admiration of the

Tartars. And what shall I tell you?

When the engines were set up and

tion. And when the townspeople

witnessed this new and strange vis-

itation they were so astonished and

dismayed that they wist not what to

do or say. They took counsel to-

gether, but no counsel could be sug-

gested how to escape from these en-

gines, for the thing seemed to them

to be done by sorcery. They declar-ed that they were all dead men if they yielded not, so they determined

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come to a man; that when you mar-

ry you can give to the girl of your leart what you expect that she will bring to you-moral purity. It is the next solid of all topulation

"I believe absolutely in an equal

they could get.

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NEW YORK'S POOR ROADS.

riant Steasons For Highway Improve-

That New York is behind the times which has long been a warm advocate of highway improvement, offers sux-gestions which are worthy of the highest

consideration. It says: First class roads, if not built by the state, can be afforded only in regions sultivators, shovel plows, markers and inhabited by persons of more wealth the like. The reason for this is, as one than the average farmer. Near the large cities are great areas tenanted by these who have business in the city, but prefor to live in the country. Here the property values are much higher than in regions exclusively devoted to farming interests, and, the taxes being proportionately higher, it is possible to spend more mency on the reads.

Under our present law the people of the state work out their road taxes without intelligent supervision, and often not only is the labor wasted, but the roads are spoiled. The faults of the foods which could be remedied without

extra expense in labor are mainly these: First.—The roads are too narrow and too high in the center, On account of the narrowners the wheels all run in the same track, and the extreme curvature of the toadbod compels the wheels to run on the edge instead of the surface of the tires, the combination of the two faults causing the formation of deep that they could approach from one side only, which was the north. And

Second. - Loose stones are allowed to I tell you they never would have remain in the roads, and the work is taken it but for a circumstance that I am going to relate. not directed toward keeping the roads The legislation hitherto proposed has

only nimed at a few state roads. This great khan's host had lain three is insufficient. Trained supervision is years before the city without being needed over all reads.

The important reasons for road improvement throughout the state are three-first, the desirability of reducing Marco said, "We could find you a the cost of haaling; second, the importance of making most of the roads fit for pleasure driving, thereby attracting to the rural districts in summer thensands of people who create a local market for various farm products; third, the economic principle of preventing the great waste of labor which is now fruitlessly expended in making bad roads.

#### PRESERVE THE ROADS.

## for it continually received supplies, of victuals from those sides which they were unable to invest, and the

E. D. Rightmire of Eurlington county, N. J., says: "Farmers in this county great khan had sent back word that take it they must and find a way will travel miles out of their way to get on a stone read and save time and expense Ly so doing. Therefore, as to the intrinsic value of stone roads, they said, "Great prince, we have with ha among our followers men who then selves are their ewn vinciontor. I do not think it necessary to stene all roads in the county, but the most prem-inent ones should be as seen as the ap-propriation could be made without inare able to construct mangonels which shall cast great stones that cumbering the county with tonds. .

"When a stone road is completed, the trebuchets shall have shot into the general impression is that it will last a scrieus mistake. They need as much attenticu as a good gravel road-1. c., speedily as possible. Now, Messer essential thing to be dene is to water Nicolo and his brother and his son with watering carts and follow by rell-With wide tires and wide whittletrees on heavy wagons used it would not be required to roll citen, as the wheels with wide tires would act as a roller instead of rutting, as do the parrow encs. The greatest wear upon stene roads is caused, first, by the calks on the shees of the horses; second, by the wheels of the heavy wagens. But by wide tires there would be comparatively little wear by the wagon. Thus mest of it is caused by the herses, which can be overcome to a very great extent by the herse traveling in the wheel track."

#### VALUE OF GOOD ROADS.

Their Importance Is Not Yet Understone

Each succeeding year records a growth years ago it was a subject that are need little interest except among a few ento the minds of the people a feeling that our highways are not all that could be desired. The St. Paul Globe, referring

to this, says: Even yet nobody estimates truly the importance and value to the people of systematic general road improvement. The cheapening of production and the saving to the producer by a system of improved highways would be greater than all the reductions in railroad rates that have been made or can be made if they were carried down to the actual cost of operation.

The amelioration of social differences in the country, the abolition of that isolation which is the great drawback to rural life and the actual addition to the cash value of farm properties are benefits positively inculculable. Eo that, from the practical point of view, there is no subject relating to the development of the country and the prosperity and happiness of its people that can take precedence of the construction of good

#### Farmers Want Good Roads.

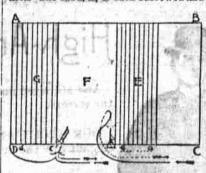
It can no longer be truthfully said that the farmers as a class are against the good roads movement. A goodly majority of them are exerting a streng influence for the betterment of the publie ways and are laboring with their less informed neighbors to try to make them view the subject in the same light. The result of the campaign of edof the future. At all events, for neation that has been carried on this winter will become happily apparent in the superior amount and kind of read improvement that will be undertaken in a great many localities next spring. -

Since trides are the one thing most new 1-0 in making good roads they should be preferred for the spring work

WHEN WORKING A TEAM.

Where to Unlifteh, Whether on Flow, Hard row or Drill. It is a favorite habitavith many farmn the matter of good roads is recognized ers and farmhands when working a by all who have given the subject any team, whether on plow, harrow, drill thought. The New York Tribune, or any other implement, to turn around or any other implement, to turn around and start on a new track or farrow before unbitching at noon or at night. I have also noticed this same practice when one horse tools are used, such as plowman explains it, to be ready to go to work again. This may be very com-mendable in the individual, but it is an expensive notion, and, when circumstances are just right, it may become very expensive. A case of this kind is brought to notice, with the aid of an illustration, in Farm and Fireside:

> A, B, C, D represent a partly plowed field. The land, E, is back furrowed and



WHEN AND WHERE TO UNHITCH. ready to leave for the land, F, to be plowed by going around it or turning to the left. Before turning out, in coming down the last furrow, the team turns the corner a, travels across the back fur-row land, E, which is about 10 paces wide, turns the cerner at b, travels up the furrow until the plow is started and is here stopped and unhitched. It is then turned clear around, comes down around the plow, turns the corner at b, travels back across the same land and is then ready to start for the stable, the direction indicated by the arrow. After dinner, when the team arrives at a, it travels across the same land and makes the various turns a third time, all for the purpose of "being ready to go to work," The proper way would be; as shown

at G, to stop and unhitch at c as soon as the plow is thrown out, follow the direction marked by the arrow, and, after taking our noming, come back to o, hitch to the plow and go to work. In comparing the two methods we notice that all the travel marked by the dotted lines at a and b is entirely useless. All that is necessary to accomplish the same object is the travel indicated by the full lines at c and d. This may seem like a small matter, but when work is crowding time is money, and these daily repeated wastes amount to something in time and help.

#### Fertilizers In Connecticut.

It is reported from the Connecticut state station that during the season of ferever without my attention, which is 1895 cottonseed meal was the cheapest source of available nitrogen. Experiments indicate that it is as rapidly and in the extreme heat of same rake most, fully available as the best forms of animal matter. It has been extensively used in home mixed fertilizers and has given Berfect satisfaction. Castor pomace is an expensive form of organic nitrogen and used chiefly by certain tobacco growers, who at Il prefer it to cottonseed meal. The Poquonock experiments indicate that cottonseed meal in equivalent quantity yielded tebacco of the same quality in all respects as castor pomace, and at a much lower cost for fertilizers. In seid rock phosphate available phosphorie seid has test on the average very considerably less than in dissolved bone black. Those who have tried the seid phosphate in home mixed fertilizers report very favorably, finding little er no trouble from caking or "setting" after mixing. Potroli in the sulphates, Loth high and low grade, has cost about 1 cent mere per pound than in the muriates. The experiment of the Connectiin the sentiment for good roads. A few | cut farmers as reported at the station was favorable to the home mixtures as regards both effectiveness and economy.

Eordeanx Mixture and Pungiroid. H. P. Gould of the Maine station reports on experiments with bordenux mixture and fungitoid for the prevention of potato ret. The use of bordenux mixture as a preventive gave the most satisfactory results. Fungicoid is a fungicide which, it is claimed, is a powdered form of bordeaux mixture. The total yield was less, and a greater percentage of rotten tubers were present where fungiroid was used than where bordeaux mixture was employed, although fungiroid gave better results than where no application of fungicides

#### The Moth Problem.

The city of Rochester has solved the problem of ridding itself of the troublesome moths that infest the trees and old buildings by offering prizes of money to school children for large collections, in effect placing a boanty on the pests. In two years, according to American Cultivator, about 9,000,000 cocoons have been gathered and destroyed, with the result that the city is said to be practically free from the pest.

#### News and Notes.

It appears to have been conclusively proved that electricity bustens the disremination of seeds. Thrifty prowth, frequent transplant-

ing and careful hardening are the socrets of strong, tough, early vegetable Professor Builey has succeeded- in

grafting the tomato upon potato stems. Farmer says that clab root follows when hog manure is put upon cabbage ground. The Jano pea is a main crop variety for which special merits are claimed. TAPEWORMS OF POULTRY.

Report of the United States Department of Agriculture.

It has been known for years that tapeworms infest domesticated poultry, and that in some cases they cause serious epizcotics among fowls. The outbreaks thus far recorded have occurred chiefly in Europe, and as a natural outcome almost the entire work which has been published on these parasites is the result of European investigations. The literature upon the subject is accordingly in Latin, German, French, Danish, Italian, etc., while in the English language we have only a few short notices concerning these worms. Generic and specific diagnoses of the parasites of this group are almost unknown articles in the English language, while as yet we have absolutely no reliable data as to how many species of tapeworms are found in American poultry.

Several cutbreaks of tapeworm disease have been noticed in fowls in different parts of the country, and upon various excasions specimens have been sent to the bureau for identification.

From a table showing 83 recorded species it was noted that 6 different

tapeworms have been recorded from pigeons, 2 from turkeys, 11 from chickeus, 2 from swans, 7 from geese, 16 from ducks and I from an ostrich. One form has been recorded as common to pigeous, chickens and ducks, 5 forms as commen to ducks and geese, 1 form as commen to geese and swans, I as common to pigeons and ducks, and I as common to pigeons and chickens.

The treatment of tapeworm disease

in the domesticated fowls must for the present be more or less experimental, as the records in this line are extremely limited.

The first rule to be carried out in all cases of discased animals, whether chickens, turkeys, geese, ducks or others, is to isolate them from the rest of the flock and keep them confined until they have recovered. The second rule is to destroy the droppings of all animals known to be infected with parasites, or it should be treated in such a manner as to kill the ova.

These two rules can be easily carried

out, and if a poultry raiser or a stock raiser is not willing to set aside a small yard for the isolation of the sick animals, where their droppings can be easily collected and taken care of every day, it is almost useless for him to adminis ter anthelminities to his fowls or other

The chief drugs used against tapeworms are: Extract of male fern, turpentine, powdered kamala, areca nut, remearanate root bark, pumpkin seeds and sulphate of copper (bluestene).

#### THE BEST FEED.

#### Green Pones Wetter Than Grain to Make

Green Lones are not used as extensively as they should be; because grain can be obtained with less difficulty and at a low cost, but as egg producing manor does the bone really cost more than grain in some sections. The cutting of the bone into available sizes if now rendered an easy matter, as the bone extrer is within the reach of all. Bones fresh from the butcher have more or less ment adhering, and the more of ruch meat the better, as it will cost no more per pound than the bone, while the combination of both ment and bone is a mest a perfect food from which to

produce cras. A pound of cut green bene is sufficient for 16 hous one day, which means that I cont will pay for that number of fowls. If one quart of grain be fed at night to 16 hors and ege pound of bone in the morning, it should be ample for each day-and the majority of fanciers do-we find, in winter. In summer only the bone need to given. Such a diet provides fat, sturch, nitrogen, phosphates, lime and all the substances required to enable the hens to lay eggs. As an egg is worth about 8 cents in winter, it is plain that it is cheaper to feed bene than grain, as the greater number of eygs not only reduces the total cost, Lut increases the profit as well.

The bone cutter is as necessary to the poultryman as his feed mill. It enables him to use an excellent and cheap food and gives bim a profit where he might otherwise Le compelled to suffer a loss. It is claimed that the bone cutter pays for itself in eggs and really costs nothing. Bones are now one of the staple articles of food for poultry, and no rations should have them omitted. They are food, grit and lime, all combined in one, and the bens will leave all other foods to receive the cut bone. If cut fine, even chicks and ducklings will relish such excellent food, while turkeys grow rapidly on it. To meet with success requires the use of the lest materials, and green bene beats all other substances as food for poultry. There is quite a difference Letween the green, fresh lope, rich in its juices, as it comes from the butchers, and the hard, dry Lone which has lost its succulence. The value of all focus depends largely upon their digestibility, and the more this is provided for the greater the saving of food and the more conomical the production of eggs .- Poultry Keeper.

#### The Whole Story.

Early hatched pullets got to laying before cold weather and kept laying will be alundantly breesly in March, which enables another supply of early hatched chickens, the pullets of which will be laying before cold weather comes on and lay freely all through the winter, giving Prefessor Briley has succeeded in prafting the tomato upon potato stems.

A contributor to The Orange Judd
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