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From the Southern Farmer.

Seeding Wheat .- Preparation of the Soil.

The season is now close at hand when farmers will be called upon to perform one of the most important operations of the farm —that of seeding wheat—the modus operandi of which, is the subject of much diversity of opinion. In the remarks which we propose making, it is not our intention to enter into any discussion on these widely diversified opinions, but only to offer a lew general suggestions on a subject which cannot fail to be interesting to our agricultural readers. As is well known, wheat is of very general cul-tivation on all classes of soils, though it does not follow that all soils are equally adapted to its profitable culture. The soils best suited to wheat are those which are more or less the growth of wheat, that they are, amongst farmers, familiarly known as wheat soils. Light and sandy soils are least suited to the production of wheat; and it is a serious error in practice to force the growth of wheat on soils and under circumstances which are better suited to the more profitable production of other grains. A general rule, applicable to all cases in which wheat is sown, is, that the land shall be in the best condition that the circumstances allow, with respect to tillage, cleanness and fertility. As wheat is the most valuable of all grains, so it requires greater care to produce it. It is an error that brings with it its own punishment, to sow with a grain crop any land which is 20r. This machine is particularly intended as a station-tary machine, and is well adapted to be driven by a com-other grain, either as regards the interest of more hurtful in the case of wheat than of any the agriculturist or of the community. In our region of country wheat is generally sown hundred bushels per day with two horses. This are machine is worth eixly dollars at Golishorough, from which place they will be sent as directed by purchasers, those paying freight on the same. There are two sizes above this; the prices eighty and one hundred dollars and though occasional good craps are made after corn, yet on an average, they are made after corn, yet on an average, they are greatly inferior-according to our own experience, rarely exceeding one-half or twothirds of that grown on a well prepared clover fallow-and we have heard experienced and successful farmers estimate the compa-

rative result as greatly less. Whether wheat is sown after a clover or pea fallow, or after corn, we hold that a good and thorough preparation before seeding is land any other preparation than a single turn of the harrow to slightly level the ground before seeding. Others again prefer repeated harrowing, or even a shallow refallow, and the use of the roller, so as to get the soil in the best possible tith before seeding; and with this practice our own experience agrees. By pursuing this practice there is, in our opinion, a two-fold benefit gained. On all well cultivated and improved farms, when there is a clover fallow for what, there is not only in most cases a growth of clover, but a heavy growth of weeds of various kinds, and varying in height from three to six feet; consequently, the plowing under of this heavy growth of vegetable matter leaves the ground in a light, open and spongy condition-of itself unfavorable to the wheat crop-but which the frequent passing over of the teams in the subsequent culture of the surface, tends greatly to compress. The surface is thus placed in the best possible condition for receiving the undersoil and mixture of vegetable matter compressed and placed in a condition

more favorable for the wheat crop. The season for seeding wheat in Lower Virginia may be considered as being from the 20th of September to the 10th of November; but when practicable, to accomplish seeding all in the month of October, we would, from our own experience and observation, recommend it as being under general circumstances the best season. We have on tide water lands found wheat sown before the 8th or 10th of October subject to injury from the Hessian fly, and all sown after the 8th or 10th of November, nine seasons in ten, of an interior growth and yield.

The choice of the variety of wheat for seed-

The quantity of seed to be sown per acre admits of considerable variation, and is a point on which farmers are by no means riety of wheat, and size of its grains, and quality of land to be seeded, as also the season when the wheat is sown, (the later seeding requiring a slight increase of seed, per SOME Valuable Law Backs, a part of a small but while some second contracts and contracts are the English Reports, in 15 vols. Iradical second as the Reports of earlier dates, &c. &c.

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on experience, should be the practice. On the stronger and richer lands, wheat or other grain will branch or tiller freely, but not so on the poorer spots. Many farmers sow generally supposed, because they are locat-only it of a bushel of wheat per acre. As a ed on the cuticular division, a portion of the self to talk, lest she should break down. rule, this is undoubtedly too thin seeding; stomach as insensible as the lining memthough, in one instance at least, within our brane of the fowl's gizzard, and if ever found own experience, a few years since, our seedsman sowed broadcast by mistake, eleven acres at the rate of three pecks per acres; the result was 31 boshels per acre, while an ad-joining seven acres of drilled wheat on precisely the same kind and condition of soil, vielded only 26 bushels per acre.

Some farmers are in the habit of making

frequent changes of seed wheat, while others sow the produce of their own soil continualy, each being persuaded that his plan is the st. The fact is, it is not always the finest looking wheat which makes the best seed. It depends much on the nature of the soil where it was grown. Some soils are renowned far and wide, for producing good seed, and it is well known that this seed degenemtes in other soils, so that the original soil must be resorted to for fresh seed. In selecting seed wheat, much care and sound judgment is requisite, to have the desired variety in a state of purity, free from foreign seeds, and that no heating has taken place in the bulk, an occurrence which is fatal to seed

Wheat previous to seeding, undergoes, or culiar to itsself, termed washing, pickling or of the mineral acids, steeping, for the purpose of preventing the disease in wheat known as smut. For this All animals as well ing the wheat through the brine, skimining measles.

off the light grains and impurities, which float on the surface, scattering thinly on the floor, and mixing it thoroughly with fresh slaked lime. Other farmers prefer soaking their seed wheat in the brine or other wash for several hours. This practice we must consider an unsafe one, and from which the out of order; but the error is greater and germinating powers of the grain are liable to be fatally injured. We have indeed known, in dry seasons, the seed to be injured by simply washing it and sowing it on the dry soil, where there was not moisture enough to maintain the tendency to germinate induced

There are various modes adopted by farmers for sowing wheat, but in this country they are chiefly confined to broadcast and drilling. Up to this time the former mode may be considered the rule, the latter the exception. On the whole we much donot whether the drilling of wheat will ever gain extension in practice in this country, nor have we seen any authentic statement of results indicating that drilled wheat yields more than carefully broadcasted seed. Our own limited experience does not lead to the necessary. In the case of preparing a clover fallow, much diversity of opinion prevails evidently an increased growth of straw from smooth farmers, many objecting to give the that there was not a corresponding increase of grain. Some extensive and most success ful farmers in Lower Virginia use the drills, and they consider that they not only derive an increase of grain from their use, but also accomplish a saving of labor. Their experience in this respect is different from that of their brother farmers across and on the east side the herring pand, whose inquiry is, will the promised increased product pay for the additional labor of drilling? There, drilling machines for wheat are by the great body of practical farmers thrown aside, and are chiefly used by amateurs, or in cases where the land is foul and requires cleansing by cultivating the wheat. We do not make these remarks for the purpose of discouraging the use of wheat drills, but to induce increased inquiry amongst farmers as to the best mode of accomplishing one of the most important operations of the farm.

narrow will accomplish this, in other condi- loin-steaks." tions of the surface the cultivator or trowel there is, when all else is performed, one other easily save it in something else." indispensable operation to be executed, without which all the preceding tabor will be found nearly nugatory, that is, the proper and most thorough surface draining of the ground sown in wheat, to which an excess of to be frequently examined during the growth of the wheat, to see that all the furrows are Finley said. Now it was for mending a new unobstructed.

The present and prospective high prices of wheat will doubtless induce the seeding of a greatly increased surface this fall. We would not discourage the movement, but we would earnestly urge upon our farmers not to sow down town ; for I find I havn't a bit of small an additional acre of land that they cannot change; and I can't do without my afternoon will my children hang their heads, also, in put in thorough cultivation for this important crop, ever bearing in mind that one properly cultivated acre will produce more than two under imperfect culture.

BOTS IN HORSES.

acre,) ought to be taken into consideration. By, which being deposited on the sides and ticularly with steak." 98- As a general rule for this section of country, fore extremities of the horse in the shape of "I thought I would save the extra money per acre would be sufficient, and from 14 to and thus pass into the stomach, and finally the wife.

They seldom do any harm, and while in the stomach they cannot produce pain, as is to have burrowed through the walls of the stomach into the abdominal cavity, they are there from the force of circumstances, occurcauses, or from drenching the animal with his brow. strong medicine or poison.

If a horse happens to have a sudden attack of colic, or any other acute disease, and should turn his head towards the side, expressive of the pains and agony experienced, many people jump at the conclusion, that the horse is afflicted with bots, and all the "Know somethings" seem to favor the opinion, and will scarcely believe otherwise; but this resalts from that backward mode of reasoning, that compels us to look upon the error, rather than combrace the light of science. The a good pudding than not have the others, own domicil, the stomach, can refuse the dose you offer him.

The best way to rid the horse of bots, is to turn him into a pasture in the spring, at which time the bot comes to maturity, and will then vacate his stronghold. Bots cannot be killed by poisons, for they will live and grow fat in turpentine, and even in some "What's the matter with your coffee, my certainly ought to undergo an operation pe- and grow fat in turpentine, and even in some of the mineral acids, so that it is folly to at-

All animals as well as man, are more purpose some farmers use stale urine, white less pestered with various kinds of parasites, others give the preference to a strong brine. and they seldom do harm. The pig is often Other washes have also been used. In our infested with animalculæ, so that its body less pestered with various kinds of parasites, own practice we have invariably used the is surcharged with the same, and this gives brine, with unfailing success, by simply pass- to pork that peculiar appearance known as

Temples not made with Hands.

Tis not in temples made with hands The great Creator dwells, But on the mountain top He stands, And in the lonely della; Wherever fervent prayer is heard, He stands recording every word : In della, on mountains every where; He never fails to answer prayer.

Yes -- in the poor man's lowly stall, And in the prisoner's cells, And in the rich man's tordly hall, The great Creator dwells;

Where two or three are joined in prayer, His sudience Hall, his House is there; Whorever prays the child of grace, Is His peculiar dwelling place.

Think you that temples built of stone, And bless'd by human hand, Are more peculiarly His own,

More reverence demand? Go to thy closet. Shut the door, And all thy mercies ponder o'er; Thine all-prevading God is there; He loves to answer sccret prayer.

The temple thy Creator owns, That temple is the heart : No towering pile of cartly stones, Nor any works of art; The cloud-cap'd spire that points on high. May draw the lightning from the sky; But 'tis the humble, modest flower, That drinks in the refreshing shower; And in return for favor given, It breathes its fragrance back to Heaven.

From Peterson's Magazine. "SAVE IN SOMETHING ELSE." BY E LLEN ASHTON.

" Mutton-chops again for dinner," said the well fed looking Mr. Finley. " Really, my dear, it's too bad, when you know that, if there's any thing I detest, it is muttonchans." "I wasn't aware, James," answered the

In covering seed wheat much care is ne- wife, a care-worn woman, apologetically, cessary to place it sufficiently deep in the "that you disliked mutton-chops so very soil, say from 21 to 4 inches. On a well pre-much. I knew, indeed, you preferred beef-pared and mellow suface, the common seed steak; but then beef is so high, epecially sir-

" Well, well, never mind for to-day," rehoe had better be used, followed by the har- plied Mr. Finley, crossly helping himself to row. Whatever diversity of opinion may a chop. "But don't for mercy's sake, give obtain amongst farmers, as to modes of pre- me any more of this stuff, meat I will not paring for seeding wheat, and covering it, call it; sirloin-steaks I must have. You can

"Save it in something else! But how," asked the wife of hyrself, "is this to be done?" Her weekly allowance was already as small as it could be, considering how many mouths she had to feed, and that she was compelled vater is destructive. This operation requires | to disburse more or less of it continually for " sundries, that's nothing at all," as Mr. ful thing has happened! Heavy Lee's father pane; and now it was for a dozen of new tumblers, or cups, or plates, or pie-dishes. Sometimes it was even cigars, her husband saying, as he left the house, " you must give me half a dollar, Anne, to buy cigars as I go that."

The next day, there was a juicy sirloin-

Bots originate from the larva of the gad know, my dear, reasted sweet potatoes, par-

11 bushels of the small grained red wheat nite, are licked off by the tongue of the horse, for the steak in that way," timidly answered the other man went forth to his labor on the

The reverse of this, in our opinion, founded | wings, and in their turn deposit nits, and thus | she knew that her husband hated what he called " a scene," and so she choked down her emotion. There were few words spoken during the meal; for Mr. Finley was out of

The third day, the steak was excellent, and the sweet potatoes browned " to a turn." Mr. Finley was in capital humor, as he always was over good cating, until the desert came in, which consisted of a plain rice pudring in the death of the horse, from peculiar ding. At sight of this the gloom gathered on

" Poor man's pudding, I declare. Really, Anne, one would think, from the fare you provide, that I was a bankrupt."

"Indeed, James, I do try to please you," said the wife, bursting into tears. "But I can't afford to give you everything, provisions are so high : and I thought you'd rather have this cheap pudding, than do without your

steak or sweet pototoes."
"Pshaw! Don't cry," hastily replied Mr. Finley. " To be sure I'd rather do without horse may be destroyed by powerful medi-cines, but the bot being the monarch of his really no necessity of it, my dear, for, in so large a household as ours, there are plenty of things off which the price of a good pudding might be saved."

No more was said on the subject that day.

dear? Really, that grocer has cheated you. Why," tasting it again, " this stuff is Laguy-

" It is not the grocer's fault," Mrs. Finley mustered courage to say. "I knew it was Laguyra when I bought it. Our expenses are so high, my dear, that we must save in something; and I thought it would be felt least, perhaps, in the coffee."

" The very last thing to save in," angrily said Mr. Finley, pushing away his coffee.
"I'd rather drink cold water than this strong, coarse Laguyra." And cold water he did drink, though his wife, almost ready to cry, offered to have some tea made.

Mrs. Finley is still endeavoring to "save in something else," for her husband will not deny himself in anything, and forgets to increase her allowance. Her last experiment was to forego a new spring bonnet. But her husband, on seeing her come down dressed for church, on a sunshiny May morning, with her last year's bonnet on, grew very angry, declaring that " there was no need to make herself look like a fright, he wasn't a broken merchant." But when one of the children told why the old bonnet was worn, he made no offer to increase his wife's stipend, but only grumbled, sulkily, that, "she might have saved it in something else."

When I see a well-fed, dogmatic husband, who has a care-worn wife, I think of the sirloin-steak, the pudding, and the bonnet; and wonder if poor Mrs. Finley is the only woman, who, to gratify a selfish husband, is made the victim of saving "IN SOMETHING

THEY SHALL NOT BLUSH FOR THEIR

PATHER. Two men had entered into an agreement to rob one of their neighbors. Everything was planned. They were to enter his house at midnight, break open his chesis and drawers, and carry off all the gold and silver they could find.

" He is rich and we are poor," said they to each other, by way of encouragement in the evil they were about to perform. "He will never miss a inde gold, while its possession will make us happy. Besides, what right has one man to all this world's goods ?" Thus they talked together. One of these

men had a wife and children, but the other had none in the world to care for but himself. The man who had children went home and joined his family, after agreeing upon meeting with the other at the darkest hour of the coming night. " Dear father," said one of the children,

climbing upon his knee, "I am so glad you have come home." The presence of the child troubled the man. and he tried to purb him away; but his arms

lung tightly about his neck, and he laid his

face against his cheek, and said in a sweet and gentle voice, "I love you, father!"

Involuntarily the man drew the innocent and loving one to his bosom and kissed him.

There were two older children in the man's dwelling, a boy and a girl. They were poor, and these children worked daily to keep up the supply of bread, made deficient more through idleness in the father than lack of employment. These children came home soon after their father's return, and brought him their earnings for the day.

"Oh, father," said the boy, " such a dreadwas arrested to-day for robbing ; they took him out of our shop when Henry was there, and carried him off to prison. I was so sad when I saw Henry weeping. And he hung his head for shame of his own father! Only think of

"Ashamed of his father," thought he. " And shame ! No, no; that shall never be !!

At the hour of midnight, the man who had steak for dinner, but only one kind of pota- no children to throw around him a sphere of better influence, was waiting at the place of ren-"Why, how is this? How is this? No degrous for him whose children had saved him. sweet polatoes to-day, when I like, as you But he waited long, in vain. Then he said : "I will do the deed myself, and take the entire reward."

And he did according to his word. When next day, he learned that his secomplice had