How oft, with childish eargerness, I climbed to gaze, where blue and dim, The distant hills, with mute caress, Seemed meeting the horizon's !im.

And, with that hopefulness of youth, Which contact with the world soon chills, Built castles, which I thought, in truth, To seek and find beyond the hills.

At last, beyond the hills to dwell, I went; and though with tearful eyes, I looked a lingering fond farewell, The future wore a fairer guise.

But in the life that future brought, I found few joys and much of pain: The idols proved but clay I'd sought; Nor were my castles on the plain.

I learned, with an awakening rude, Life had stern lessons to impart; And, midst the busy multitude, Toiled, weary oft and sad of heart.

And when life seems of little worth, Worn with its tumult, care and ills, I would look out and down on earth, And breathe the pure air of the hills.

But though may never meet my gaze The old familiar hills of yore, I'll scan, when death dispells the haze, The hills that grace the other shore.

For here, along life's valley road, We bear what cross our Father wills; And for the lifting of our load Look upward to the unseen hills.

There, with earth's lessons learned aright, We e'en may find aill ction's rod A staff will prove, in heaven's light, With which to mount the hills of God. BERTHA H. ELLSWORTH.

Farmers' Column!

From the Rural Carolinian.

We are not fully prepared to an- farms are best. swer this question in the affirmative, 6. To raise big corn, you must keep cate that the principal difficulty—the must cut often. So in this, we find lack of suitable machinery for the pre- small farms the best. paration of the fibre—is gradually be- 7. If you have a good fence, you pany," of Louisiana, says:

"Still further improvements have been made world without alteration, at the rate of a ton to Therefore, I declare small farms to be with those written by Northern men? Is it not-

In regard to a market for the pre-

"Our Liverpool correspondent writes that ramie is wanted in that market at \$264 gold per ton. As the culture of the ramie plant in the South is understood to have passed beyond mere experiment, and as cotton is said to be too cheap to be profitable, the wonder is that the planters do not turn their attention more to the first mentioned staple. Ramie culture has many advantages over cotton. It is a hardy and vigorous grower, and its growth is continuous. A requiring to be renewed. It is not destroyed by worms, does not suffer from excess of rain, and stands the longest drought without injury. it would seem that it is exposed to no special danger in a suitable climate, has no enemies, requires but little labor, needs but a small capimands a ready marked at a high price for all that can be produced, and the market is never similar to corn culture; and it is said that one

THE EARM AND THE MAN.

It may be important to consider which is first and most important, the man or his farm. It is certain that the farm, as land and water, rock and wood, existed before he did; but, it may not have been a farm till he made it so. If he is the maker of the farm, take special care of it." for the thing made cannot well be superior to its maker. The maker must hold the first rank.

But it strikes us that there is a mutual relationship between the man and in grape culture in California, plants his farm which should be recognized, cuttings from six to seven feet in length, the books, write to the University Publishing and which makes each party depend- where they are to grow in the vineent upon and partly the maker of the yard, in holes two feet in diameter and Atlanta, Cia., and illustrated Catalogues, and The Burdett Combination Organ in return to make him-that is, if he and cracked between each joint, and cultivates it intelligently, thinks, real placed around in, and about three al being; improves his soil, his stock, and then brought up in the centre to his grain, his fruit; learns the nature the surface, as usual, to a stake three and habits of the things he cultivates; feet long. The cutting plan is accomknows why he does everything-such panied with more labor at the comattention to his farm will remodel the mencement, but the compensation is lecalied The Economist.

ergy put into it. The study and prac- no fruit. in their acquirement and intelligence time. in their practice. Our great men are chiefly from the learned professions back to the second or third bud, so as they are called—and it is so simple to elevate the vines about two foot.

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profession. The farm should make she was too heavy. "Lor, missus," the Markets and to the Local Department of the paper.

T. B. GARNER. great men—as well as the bar and the said he, "I'se used to lifting barrels Clizabeth City, N. C., Nov. 20, 1871, 12 :tf desk; and it will, if it is regarded of sugar!" and treated in the same way. Let our "I like to hear a child cry," jocose- JOHN S. HENDER SON, young farmers be intelligently prepartly said an old bachelor. "Why?"

chemistry, on the earth, the soil, stock, fruits, grains, vegetables, and then on

continue their researches in all their practical operations and the farm would self-respect and character. soon turn out more great men than any other one place of human exertion. When as much intelligence is fessions, it will produce as many great men as the same intelligence will, exyer, doctor, and divine have each their library-where is the farmer's? Those farmers who have good agricultural libraries are among our best men. Let the farmer make his farm in the light of the best intelligence that relates to the subject, and his farm will make

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3. If you don't want your farm to run away, you must stop the little ers. leaks. We may expect fewer leaks on a small place than a big one; hence again, small farms are best,

4. Feed your land well, and it will feed you. It takes less to feed a few small farms are best.

5. If you would live long and eniov life, work a little then rest a little. IS IT SAFE TO PLANT RAMIE? labor all the time. Here again, small But if you have a large farm you must

but the progress made seems to indi- small grass. To make small grass you

ing overcome. Mr. Wm. Hall, of the need fear no loss by stock. But fen- to use inferior books. "Ramie Planting Manufacturing Com- ees are costly. Thus once more we find small farms are best.

8. If you want good roads, and in the machinery, and I am enabled to state plenty of schools, churches, and mills, that the fibre of the ramie can now be prepared you must have a dense population. If on the plantations of a pure white and pearly farms are large this is impossible.

9. Farms should increase in value pared fibre, the New York Shipping year by year. It costs less to improve to this question, has come. More than 5,000 of a few acres than a great many. Here, as before, small farms are best. B. W. J.

ASHES FOR SWEET POTATOES.

A correspondent in the Southern dented in the history of school book sublishing. CULTIVATOR says: "I notice the question is asked, which is the best fertilizer or manure for sweet potatoes. crop once planted will stand for years, without From the experience I have had, in manuring the sweet potato, I must say that rotted ashes when properly put From all that is related of this wonderful plant, on, has precedence over all others I have had any experience with. The plan that I adopted was to open a long continue to use; pupils compelled to tal to produce a crop, propagates rapidly, con- deep furrow with a scooter plough, and put in a plenty of ashes. Bed out on in their studies by a change of books, for an annual put in a plenty of ashes. Bed out on use the same; and parents will be saved the exlikely to be overstocked, as the area for its succussful growth is limited to a belt in the Gulf realized on the poorest soil. Cow-pen- are relieved of all anxiety in regard to the char-[and South Atlantic] States. It requires less ning is good—so are cotton seed and acter of the teachings under which their chillabor to cultivate than cotton, the process being stable manure; but, after experiment- This subject, in all its bearings, is of the highhand can take care of fifty or sixty acres, after ing with the ashes, they will all be est importance to us as a people, my countrymen. abandoned, provided ashes be had. I It is not a sectional movement, but a national experimented on as poor soil as I had, and patriotic one. It is not a mere rivalry between different publishers, or I would not preand the result was as fine a crop of sume to ask your attention to it. It goes down potatoes as I ever saw on any kind of deep into our dearest interests; it is the formalso, and almost any kind of vegeta- respect and character, which is to be the result. tion. I am convinced there is not a lest citizens—our representative men in every best citizens—our representative men in every better fertilizer made on any planta- best citizens—our representative men in every state, to the number of 300 and more, the men come in this instrument. tion than rotted ashes. So every one we all honor and esteem-have put their money will find it greatly to his interest to into the work, not to make profit out of it, al- The Verdict is Unanimous!

> LONG GRAPE CUTTINGS FOR VINEYARD PLANTING.

other. If the man makes his farm as eighteen inches deep, so as to be below other information, will be sent to you at once, it ought to be made, it will do much the plough. The cuttings were twisted without charge. sons, experiments as becomes a ration- inches from the outer part of the holes, man and cultivate him as much as it truly remarkable, as they have produced from five to seven pounds of tural, Commercial, Professional, Mechanical and All the various improvements on the Burdett Commercial and All the various improvements of the Burdett Commercial and All the various improvements of the Burdett Commercial and All the various improvements of the Burdett Commercial and All the various improvements of the Burdett Commercial and All t tices it intelligently, the profession will ed but three years and a half ago, and the capacity, industry and zeal it can command. give strength, culture, force, and pow- a vigorous growth of wood. The con- the whole field of legitimate journalism. er of will to the man-that is, his pro- trast between them and some short Politically, it will seek, without using the fession will make him -make him a cuttings, planted at the same time, is poisoned weapons of bitterness, to foster and among the first of musicians and organists. man of larger stamp than he would very striking, the latter presenting a combine all the elements of opposition to the bave been without the study of the latter presenting a reckless tendency of the times; believing, as we

Divinity makes the divine. In each between the joints sends forth a root- this precious heritage of our Fathers will, at no of the professions men are made by let, which gives the long entting a distant day, be like a tale that is told-like a them, because they each require study much greater hold on life at an early vision that has passed away.

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