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The birds of the air are never sick; they die either by old age or natural casualties. They choose their food according to the season and their actual wants.

When a man knows what his farm lacks for his poultry, it is generally easily supplied; but few persons can tell exactly what is lacking.

Charcoal made of wood does not answer the purpose; it has no taste of food, is not attractive to the fowl, and is seldom eaten.

PLANT CORN.

Now that the idea of March are upon us and the momentous issue as to what we should plant must be decided, we would cast our vote emphatically for more corn and less cotton throughout the South.

The Son of the Soil, New Orleans, makes the following appropriate remarks on this subject: We have often heard it remarked that it is folly to attempt to raise your own corn, for then it is not worth anything.

We have not attempted to write an exhaustive article upon this subject, though it is well worthy of our consideration. Neither would we confine the self-supporting labor of the farmer to corn alone.

As we said in the beginning of this article, now is the time to determine just what and how much shall be done. And we do not fear that too much can be done but it is not wise to attempt what cannot be well done.

HEALTH OF COUNTRY HOMES.

The House.—The only probably source of danger to health in a farm-house lies in the condition of the cellar, or of the space which separates the lowest floor from the ground.

The Well.—If the water is clear and sweet, and free from any unpleasant odor, one may pretty safely assume that no harm is to be anticipated from this source.

The Privy.—There is little or no danger from contamination of the air by the contents of the privy. The real danger lies in the diffusion of these contents through the soil and their contamination of the water of the well.

The Slop.—How common it is for the kitchen authorities in a farm-house to throw the slops upon the ground, just outside the kitchen door, and perhaps within six feet of the well.

The Ice.—The ice may be so loaded with foul vegetable matter as to give rise to quite severe disturbances of the bowels and stomach.

Drainage.—This is a more difficult subject to investigate, and one concerning which I hardly dare venture any remarks in this place.

We are reliably informed that a party of Revenue officers shot a very aged man in Alexander county, this week, while he was paddling across the Catawba river from a bar-room on the opposite shore, where he had purchased a jug of liquor.

SOLOMON TO YOUNG MEN.

The wisdom of Solomon has become a universal proverb, in regard to whose truthfulness, few will hazard any question. His counsels, therefore, are entitled to the highest consideration, and his own personal consistency with respect to his teachings, worthy of the closest imitation.

When he had inherited a great kingdom, with his riches, power and glory, he sought of the Lord, as the indispensable qualifications for his exalted station, wisdom and knowledge; esteeming all other endowments as secondary.

her, for she is thy life. Apply thy heart unto instruction, and thine ears to the words of knowledge.—This counsel clearly implies earnest intellectual endeavor to acquire knowledge, and firm, unyielding resolve to maintain the priceless possession.—The motive consideration, too, is, in the highest degree, inspiring: for she is thy life.

The writings of this remarkable man—this wise and safe counselor, abound with commands, admonitions, and warnings with respect to the high obligations and priceless value of mental culture.

The lessons of wisdom on this subject, which we have been considering, are especially designed for the young and in their fullness are only adapted to that susceptible and plastic period of life.

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