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Said good Nathan one day In a roundabout way. To David who slew one Uriale, God hath sent me to show you, How surely we know you, To be both a rake and a liar.

Then without any flam, Said King David, "I am The worst man that ever was born, I took from him his wife, And then his own life, Yes. I frankly acknowledge the corn.'

So when David died, By truth purified, All the world loved to sing his sweet song And his name forever Will be a sweet smelling savor, For his penitence cured all his wrongs.

But while Beecher shall live, God nor man will forgive, While he seeks the foul refuge of lies; And when he is dead, Not a tear will be shed, And his name all the world will despise. -N. Y. Sun.

THE BEAUTIFUL IN NATURE.

BY F. L. STANTON.

I thank God for this good, green earth, For every fair and pleasant bower, That smiles upon the modest birth Of every dew-bespangled flower. I thank God for these little birds, That soar aloft on joyous wings; More eloquent than human words, And sweeter, are the songs they sing.

I thank Ilim for the little stream, That murmurs softly as it flows, And trembles 'neath the golden beam That on its crystal surface glows. I thank Him for the gentle breeze, That comes from o'er the lillied lea, And wantons with the nodding trees Whose gracious branches shelter me!

I thank Him for the lovely face Of Nature-for the works of art, And these, and all, have each a place Within my sad, forsaken heart. And though of every hope bereft-Though lost to all I love the best, I feel that there is something left When I can fly to Nature's breast!

Ah! mine has been a lonely lot-And full of thorns my path appears; The world I loved has loved me not, Though I have stained its dust with

tears. If I have ne'er deserved its love, Then, with a heart, all love and riven I lift these streaming eyes above And humbly ask to be forgiven.

> [From the Southern Planter and Farmer.] PEA FALLOW.

In complying with your request, "to give my views and experience on the use of the pea as a renovating crop," at least two difficulties present themselves. First the difficulty of saying anything that will be fresh on a subject so frequently written on; and secondly, of bringing a fair discussion of the subject within the limits which ought to be given to one subject, however important.

The Southern pea (so-called, though in reality a bean) has been used extensive by in the South for many years as a renovating as well as a forage crop, and to a limited extent in Virginia, especially the Tidewater section.

My own experience and observation ex tends through a period of only six years, and has, of necessity, been limited as to space. When I first commenced with pea fallow, I thought that to secure the greatest benefit from the crop the entire product-grain, vine and all-shuold be plowed in before frost, and that to remove or feed down any part of it was to injure it to that extent as an improver.

Having this view, the crop seemed to me an expensive one. It would be almost impossible to get in a crop of peas in good condition at an expense of less than \$5 per acre, including seed; and if by any accident we should fail to realize a crop of wheat after it, the loss would, of course, be considerable.

Several years' experience has demonstrated to me that this opinion is incorrect, at least so far as my land is concerned. Indeed, I find that I do not deyve as much benefit in the way of imimmediately on reaching maturity, as tailed hereafter.

plowed, and by the 15th of Jane the peas dition as to fertility, I believe that sowland is poor, or the season wet and back- Every farmer ought, if possible, to save ward, it will be best to sow in drills two feet apart, so that the cultivator may be fertilizer to the grain crop.

care of itself, as the leaves will take from drops its leaves as soon as the peas bethe at mosphere everything which the long gin to mature. tan roots (which will have already penedoes not find in the subsoil.

advantages of broadcasting are, the great- interest. er expedition in getting in the crop, increase in bulk of crop above ground, great increased and more even distribution of the root, which is a most valuable part of the crop. I have already noted incidentally that the pea has a long tap root that

depth of two feet. These roots bring up from the subsoil the mineral matter of the crop, which in precision in a garbage box. its decay is left in a soluble condition where the roots of the cereals can approthose of clover, and even to a greater de- perfectly smooth. gree, draw nourishment from the atmosphere, so that the plant in reality takes very little from the surface soil of the field, and when it decays, the product, in both organic and mineral elements of fertility, is left exactly in the position to be of benefit to the succeeding grain crop. If peas are drilled, it will be well to run Dr. J. A. Clopton, of Huntsville, Ala. the cultivator through them, to loosen the soil, as soon as they are well above attained its greatest bulk. This Mr. Ed- his name in full. mund Ruffin, in a very exhaustive essay be allowed to mature, and then to be turned under, grain and all. This would be success. better than the first method, but it seems to me very wasteful. Every acre of a good crop of peas has upon it from 10 to 15 bushels of peas. As good feed for hogs as corn (certainly every acre will make 100 pounds of pork), why should we lose this! The only question to be answered would, of course, be, Whether or not the improvement to the land would be as DAILY, one year, great if the crop is fed down as if turned WEEKLY, one year, under entirely? Now, if we supposed that from every acre 100 pounds of pork Send Postal Card for Sample Copy. can be made, worth say \$7, we will see at once that we will have secured a fair eturn for four months' investment, even should it prove that the elements that enter into the composition of fat pork were really valuable as fertilizers. But, in fact, this is not the case. Fat pork is alnost pure carbon and water, I believe, carbo hydrates being the most abundant supply of all the elements of fertility, are of least comparative value. Without making a careful by exact estimate, it may be very safely said that twenty-tive cents would purchase all the real valuable fertilizing material in one hundred pounds

of pork. The debris of the crop, includroots, stems, leaves, &c., together with all the manure from the animals, remain upon the land, having lost nothing but the pork and the water that has evaporated in the process of drying. If I am mistaken in this I hope some one will set me right, as I am anxious that the truth should be brought to light. This is my theory, and three years' successful practice with several other small experiments previously made have confirmed me in the opinion that it is correct. My land is nation of ancient and modern times, and including a sandy loam with clay subsoil. It may be Empires, the growth of the nations of modern Europe, the middle ages, the crus des, the feudal system. that upon very stiff clays, rich in caleareous matter, it would be better to turn in crops green, but upon sandy lands à green fallow will almost invariably bring a heavy crop of sorrel.

Under the method of treating pea fallow i. e., turning under the entire crop, it was, as before remarked, a costly crop. It required an outlay of four or five dollars per acre, which added to the subsequent cost of preparing the land for wheat, for it to be profitable. Poor men could not afford to lay out of their money so provement when the crop is turned under long, or to take the risk of failure of the fit the work send us your address at once. It costs wheat crop. The result has been that fails to make great pay. Address "The People" Journal, Portland, Maine 42:1y. when treated somewhat differently as de- less land has been seeded to wheat, and our mills have to look to the West for In order to be secure of a good crop of their main supply. But once convince EUGENE L. HARRIS, peas, I take land that has either been the farmer that for five dollars outlay he cultivated in corn the year previous, or can make for his own use one hundred has been plowed during the preceding pounds of the very best pork, and also winter, so that it is in fine and mellow put his land in good condition to raise a condition. About the last of May, either paying crop of wheat, and we shall have sooner or later, depending upon the sea- a supply of both articles at home, and son, the land should be well and deeply stop the drain upon our resources in mak ing up the deficiency by purchases from from sown. If the land is in pretty good con- the Northwest. One great drawback with PHOTOGRAPHS, me has been the difficulty of saving seed. ing broadcast will give the greatest im. The pea and summer harvest conflict, and provement in the land, as the vast amount and I have found it almost impossible to and even distribution of the roots will get cheap labor to pick peas. Here is a fill the soil with vegetable matter; but if chance for some one to invent a machine.

I find, in glancing over what has been used to loosen the soil and facilitate the written, that nothing has been said about growth of the plants, which will become the different varieties of peas. There are stunted in wet, cold weather. If the land at least two varieties of black peas, one is poor, I prefer using on the pea crop of which ripens much earlier than the the fertilizer that would be used upon other. The latest ripening is too long the surrounding grain crop, as I am sat- maturing to suit our climate. The buff ished that the final return in grain will or clay peas are very little raised in this be more than 20 per cent, in favor of this section. They, with the later ripeaing method against the application of the black pea, make more vine than any others, and are admirably adopted to High grade fertilizer, such as Anchor more Southern States. The Whippoorwill, Brand Tobacco and the Trucker fertilizers or cherry pea, a brown pea, with still have proven most satisfactory with me, darker brown specks, has proven an exand I would prefer to use them in homeo- cellent pea with me. It ripens earlier than pathic doses to heavy applications of less either of the black peas, and is more prolisoluble and concentrated fertilizers. The fic. It does not make so heavy a growth pea crop needs assistance until the plant of vine; it stands more erect, and retains gets six or eight leaves, then it will take its foliage longer than the black, which

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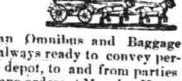
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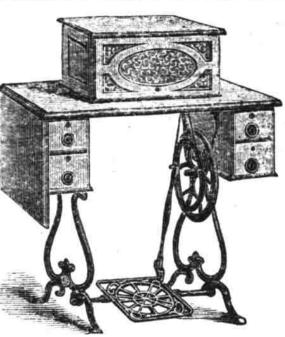
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