A snowy bird that close caressed Dares yet forsake the sheltering rest;

And straight, before its silver wings Have ever stooped to baser things, Flies up to heaven, and flying sings-

These and all other pure and mild And lovely objects undefied; Are types of what thou wert; my child! their early boyhood on the farm.



FALL PLOWING.

From the Farmer and Mechanic

Our previous article under this heading was to impress the importance of keeping the idle capital in our teams employ-

td. &c. Now we wish to show the great value of the work itself. The light sandy land farmers we believe lead in this work of early plowing. Yet it would seem to us they have the least reason. One plowing tipon the sandy land would better equalize and absolve the mineral properties of the soil, than a half a dozen plowings tipoit the clay. The sandy land sections have nearly always kept in advance in agriculture and we believe they have done so, pretty much upon this advantage. A plowing is looked upon as preparation, and the land that does not yield up its fruits to that treatment, we are accustomed to think that it has none to yield. Under this one plowing and planting system, fully one-third of our soil lies locked up in the great clods we leave baked and unbroken in the field. In this way two fold mischief is accomplished.

A large per cent of the fertilizing agents that the land contains yields absolutely mothing to the crops. And again when after taking all that is required for other the volatile matter is dissolved it is more purposes, 200 pounds of butter were made it has been in a manner disengaged from | yield of rich milk, give your cow every to a playing crop. It must have (unless the seasons are very propitious) quite plow at all most of us must touch the originated by himself:

What a mockery our spring preparation would seem to an advanced farmer accustomed to see his land plowed and replowed and harrowed and rolled-until A religious paper boasts of a certain tive plowing we have ever done has been her rule and the fashion to dress for

must become saturated and mellow al- league in her of as much spiritual value most at once into a wholesome soil. In as himself. this way the soil is really deepened. It is put down into the earth and a fresh layer of mineral matter is put upon top: Of course this must add to its fertility without doing that positive first injury which would come as a result of placing the clay directly upon top. Subsoiling is beneficial but it must be very slow. Fer of coulter plow must ever taste but a fla: voring of the rich juices from above. So we should say by all means plow in the J. T. MOORE. fall and let the great hammer of elements help in the preparation.

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Country boys, farmer's sons, that labor N.C.

go to school five days in the week in the winter, and work at home on Saturdays, think their lot a hard due, in comparison with that of their city cousins. But did they know it, these lessons of labor give By the soft brooding mother breast, them an appreciation of education that city boys never possess. The country boy delights in going to school, whilst the city chap hates the monotony of the school room; and this accounts for the fact that a large majority of the successful business men in the various walks of life spent

Boys just verging into manhood in the riage, ctc.; also, Consumption, Epilepsy and city feel that they have more requirements than those in the country, and therefore spend more, and acquire habits diametrically opposed to success: When once bred in the bone; it requires but a few generations to spoil the stock, and new importations have to be made from the country before business or professional life can regain its strength. Business men in the city forget to what they owe their success, and in their desire, give that which enervates instead of strengthens. The boy may be stuffed with such advantages but it takes self-denial and a sprinkling of two postage stamps.

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Let not the sons of farmers, therefore, deplore their lot or look with wistful eyes on the imaginary advantages of their city cousins whilst their own chances of success are many per cent, higher than those of city boys. Nor is it necessary to success that farmers' sons should follow the vocations of their fathers. If they have talent for trade or professional life, let them embrace that which suits the inclination, and never feel that because they work hard and exercise self-denial to-day they are never to rise above the level of clodhoppers: Such trials are in truth but advantages of a more substantial order, and will make sterling men of those who make the most of them.-Baltimore Sun.

How to Make Cows Give Milk .- A writer

in the Southern Farmer says! His cow gives all the milk that is wanted in a family of eight, and that from it liable to be, by evaporation, carried ast year. This is in part his treatment back into the atmosphere again. Because of the cow : If you desire to get a large the great mass, and thus an injury is done day water slightly warm and slightly saltto the land. If in the sandy land farmers ed, in which bran has been stirred at the have found virtue and success in fall rate of one quart to the two gallons of plowing, how much more important it water. You will find, if you have no: ought to be to the clay land farmer. The tried this daily practice, that your cow one has his soil in a measure already will give 25 per tent, more milk immediatomized; the other has something like a ately under the effects of it, and she will piece of putty in which he has to equalize become so attached to the diet as to refuse his ingredients. And because one plow- to drink clear water unless very thirsty. ing as a preparation yields a good crop But this mess she will drink almost any tipon sand, it is no reason that one plow- time and ask for more. The amount of ing should do the same on clay. Fall this drink necessary is an ordinary waterplowing is a simple necessity on stiff land, pailful at a time, morning, noon and night

A Great Farmer's Maxims .- The sucdouble the work of a spring plowing, cessful life of Mr. Jacob Strawn, the prince There are not very many inches between of American farmers, is attributed to the the top of our soil and the clay and to close observation of the following maxims

tlay and bring to the surface some of this | Make your fences high and strong, so uncooked food, for our rootiess: But if they will keep cattle and pigs out. Be done in the fall, by continued freezing and sure to get hands to bed by seven o'clock; thawing during the winter it loses its they will rise early by force of circumpoison and becomes in a measure palata- stances. Pay a hand, if he is a poor hand ble food. This we all know, not upon the all you promised him; and if he is a good teachings of science alone, but upon every one, pay him a little more; it will encourday practice. Then why delay to take age him to do better. Always feed your so plain advantage? The plowing has to hands as well as you feed yourselves, for be done, and if it is worth double, being the laboring men are the bone and sinew done in the fall why not arrange to do it? of the land, and ought to be well treated

A SENSIBLE WOMAN.

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a smaller one immediately behind in the calculation. It is by no means confined same furrow some 5 or 6 inches into the to the mere matter of dress, but shows clay, and we have throughout a layer of itself in the truer Christian spirit that is tlay between two layers of soil. If the awakened in that church. A devotion to hand has vegetation the clay is heated by Fashion and an humble Chistian spirit | this from below, besides receiving a ben- can no more harmonise than can Slavery | efit from the water charged with the de- and Freedom. What a blessed change scending manures from above. If the might be effected in our religious societies land receives an application of manure if all of them could have a leading woman broadcast and plowed this way, the heat of the character of the lady mentioned must be greater and the layer of clay above. The minister would have a col-

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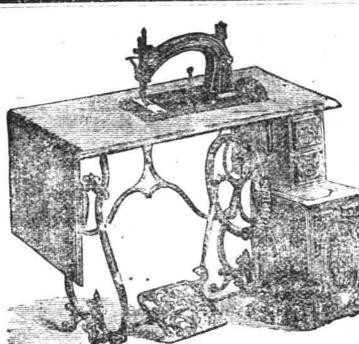
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