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FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

POOR CLAY LAND AND WHEAT. Good wheat may be grown on a poor clay soil, provided it be got in proper mechanical condition.

WAYS OF WEEDS.

There are three classes of weeds, as to their duration, namely: Those that live for one season only, those remaining for two years, and a third and very large group, the members of which continue their existence indefinitely and are known as perennial plants.

It is a thoughtless and a very dangerous thing for a farmer to put his name on paper presented by a stranger. Also, to go on the notes of friends and neighbors.

It is a short-sighted policy to elect to the township and county offices the men who cannot support themselves in the ordinary pursuits of life.

RECIPES.

Lady Fingers—Rub a half-pound of butter into one pound of flour and a half-pound of sugar; grate in the rind of two lemons, squeeze in the juice of one, add three beaten eggs, make into rolls.

Eleven Thousand Pecan Trees. Mr. P. A. Scales, of Brownwood, Texas, enjoys the distinction of owning the only pecan orchard of any size in the world.

FUN.

"I am over head and ears in work," said the submarine diver to himself. "And that stout son of yours, what is he doing?" "He's an hammock tester."

The information that property is "just astore's throw from the cars" is very frequently calculated to impress upon the unwelcome admiration for the man who threw the stone.

Mrs. Brown—"Bridget, I don't understand. You said you paid ten cents for a glass of soda-water for Master Edward, and yet he tells me he did not have any."

"Williams," said the proprietor of the restaurant, "don't throw away the corks of those soda-pop bottles."

In her latest Egyptian paper Mrs. Ros has a bright little description of a harem dinner. "We went to the harem at Cairo at three in the afternoon," she says.

"Sitting cross-legged in a heap is not difficult for a short time, and in a low divan one limb can be put down for an occasional rest; but at dinner I was obliged to sit close to the little ink-table under pain of spilling the food in my lap, and of course was the result.

New York city has expended \$9,000,000 in building new parks.

Plant Instincts.

A correspondent of Garden and Forest describes some interesting experiments with Madeira vines, which illustrate how closely the actions of certain plants resemble those of animals.

When near the floor it began describing ellipses about three inches in diameter with its upturned extremity.

Another vine, during several days of cloudy weather, uncoiled itself from its stick and reached away toward the light at an angle of forty-five degrees with the horizon.

A Very Odd Battle.

As T. W. Singer and David Scully, of Laughlinston, were on their way home from Ligonier a few days ago, a most interesting scene presented itself at a point on the turnpike near the brick house.

The Safest Car.

The old question as to which is the safest car on a railroad train is further complicated by the latest accident at Quincy. The dangers to be apprehended in the forward cars have been dwelt upon as have also the perils of the end cars, and now the latest experience seems to show that the middle of the train is not free from the perils of the track.

A Well Which Pumps Up Gold Nuggets.

There is a wonderful well down near Del Norte, Texas. The force of the water brings up from the depths an occasional lump of native silver or a gold nugget.

CURIOSITIES.

England acquired Ireland and Wales by conquest; Scotland by union. A good horse-meat dinner can now be had in Berlin, Germany, for five cents.

A boy at Nevada City, Cal., catches lizards with a hook baited with flies. He throws his line on the rocks and the reptiles spring eagerly for the fly.

The crack whips of Vienna, Austria, have had a race of forty miles with four-hands. Seven coaches started, and the winner covered the distance in two hours and three-quarters.

Japan shows on nearly all its pretty stamps the sacred chrysanthemum, a flower of which the little Japs have become especially proud since its cultivation has been taken up by the Europeans and Americans.

The nobles of Annam permit their nails to grow to such a length that the hands are absolutely useless for any practical purpose. The nails on the second, third and fourth fingers attain a length of from four to nearly five inches.

Largest Grain Elevator in the World.

The largest grain elevator in the world was built at Minneapolis Junction in 1886. The building is 336 feet long, ninety-two feet wide, and 175 feet high. It has storage capacity for 2,000,000 bushels of grain within its walls.

Telephones Made by a Chinaman.

Several days ago inspectors in China, town, San Francisco, Cal., discovered a large number of telephones which were paying no royalty to the Bell Company.

What the Humble Penny Does.

The humble penny is a potent factor in our modern civilization. We all know the wonders it has achieved in the departments of the post and the newspaper press, and it is now doing as marvelous a work in our means of locomotion.

Richmond and Danville R. R. Co. Condensed Schedule in Effect May 18 1890.

Table with columns for SOUTHBOUND, DAILY, and NORTHBOUND, listing train routes and times between Richmond, Danville, and other stations.

Between West Point, Richmond and Raleigh-Via Keyville, Oxford and Durham.

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Sleeping Car Service.

On trains 50 and 51, Pullman Buffet Sleepers between Atlanta and New York, Danville and Augusta, Greensboro to Asheville, and Morristown, Tenn.