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THE SOLDIER'S DREAM.

Our bugles sang true, for the night-cloud had lowered, And the sentinel stars set their watch in the sky...

THE AURORA BOREALIS.

We extract some paragraphs from an article on the Northern Lights, in Harper's Magazine, written by Prof. Elias Loomis of Yale College...

GRADUATED vs. EDUCATED.

In these latter days of wisdom, when new books appear faster than snowflakes in a New England storm...

INCIVILITY.

Incivility has not only been lost among our customers, but has through that one loss, suffered the further injury, that others have been kept by the reported discourtesy from the establishment...

BREATHING NIGHT AIR.

A writer in the July number of Good Health, discusses the truth of the popular idea that "night air" is hurtful to the lungs or the general health of the system.

CHEERFUL PEOPLE.

God bless the cheerful person!—man, woman or child, old or young, illiterate or educated, handsome or homely, Oyer and above...

NEWSPAPERS.

Where I have wandered in my missionary labors, whether in the East, West, North, or South, I have always observed that where the newspaper was taken by the family, there a spirit of morality, and general intelligence were to be found.

ON KISSING.

Men scorn to kiss among themselves, And scarce would kiss a brother; But women would kiss so bad, They kiss and kiss each other.

A LADY REPLIES.

Men do not kiss among themselves, It's well that they refrain; The blither does would kiss them so They never would kiss again.

A MODEL WIFE.

Only let a woman be sure she is loved by her husband, by little acts of devotion and attention, such as were so common and so frequently bestowed upon her while she was courted by him...

Work and wait, and of all the lessons life gives us...

Work and wait, and of all the lessons life gives us, the lesson "wait" is the hardest to learn. Not wait by aimlessly drifting, but with physical, mental, moral powers carefully cultivated, ever praying for...

SUN AND SHADOW.

As I look from the isle, o'er its billows of green, To the billows of foam-crested blue, You mark in that distance a speck, Half dreaming my eyes will pursue; Now dark in the shadow, she scatters the spray, As the chaff in the stroke of the flail...

THE REV. MR. PUSSTON.

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PAWBROKING.

During the summer months the business of the pawbrokers, though good, is not by any means pressing. The laboring classes are seen, for the most part, well and profitably employed, and if it were not for rum, idleness, and real misfortune, such as sickness, there would be comparatively little for "my uncle" to do.

THE BEST TIME FOR BATHING.

The robust and practiced bather will suit his convenience or his pleasure generally to the temperature of the water. He should observe certain rules until he finds he can do without them.

A KISS IN THE DARK.

Horace Vermet, the distinguished French painter, happened once to be travelling from Versailles to Paris in the same railway-carriage with two English spinster ladies, very praiseworthy and of a certain age.

PUTTING THINGS TOO FAR APART.

Sambo was a slave to his master who was constitutionally addicted to lying. Sambo, being strictly devoted to his master, had, by dint of long practice, made himself an adept in giving plausibility to his master's stories.

TOUCHINGLY TRUE.

The Mobile Advertiser and Register says: "We do not remember to have read a poem more sweetly sympathetic and more touchingly true, than the following. It is brief, but its brevity detracts nothing from its beauty."

OWED TO PRINTERS.

When luckless printers stoop to credit, And find too late that men won't pay, What chance can soothe the debtor's woe? What art can wash the doubt away?

AT ST. LOUIS.

At St. Louis, not long ago, a couple of rural individuals were walking along the levee. Some of the sewer-mouths were exposed, and a few of the smaller ones were broken down, so that they looked like natural springs. One of the countrymen, who was walking in front of the other, suddenly called out:

LOOK HERE.

"Look here, Jim, here's another spring." "Well, good darn it," replied Jim, "if the water is no better in this one than in the last one, I don't want to drink from it."

"NO NORTH, NO SOUTH, NO EAST, NO WEST—OUR WHOLE COUNTRY."

Rising in the world.—You should bear constantly in mind that nine-tenths of us are, from the very nature and necessities of the world, born to earn our livelihood by the sweat of the brow.

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PHRENOLOGICAL JOURNAL.

Utterly impossible things.—The old lady who believes in "signs and symptoms," always looks out for the new moon over her left shoulder, and never makes pickles on a Friday, will not know "something to happen" with the year, particularly the month of March, and the day of the week, glass! As the old Dutch farmer said, "Things is always happening, most years!"

THE YOUNG LADY WHO SLEEPS IN KID GLOVES.

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FARMERS' AND HOUSEKEEPERS' DEPARTMENT.

AGRICULTURAL.—We welcome the reorganization of the State Agricultural Society, and are pleased to see it officially announced that the annual Fair (in October) would be resumed this fall. The brilliant crop prospects at this writing, (25th July) in Eastern North Carolina, fill the heart of the farmer with gladness.

THE FLOWER-GARDEN.

The flower-garden should not be forgotten even though it is a young one. There are odd hours when the owner can pull out the weeds, or if that cannot be done set some flowers, and so on. It is not available, let the young ladies of the household engage in this? What more honorable employment than this? Did not our kind Father place Eve with Adam in the garden to keep it?

ENGAGEMENTS FOR NEXT YEAR.

Those who crop on shares should have a thought for the future. The crops are made so far as annual labor is concerned. Next year begins to look up to the end of the year, and the farmer should be accordingly. The freedman who crops on shares is equally interested with the land owner.

CRICKETS PULLED.—Make a batter of one egg, milk, flour and a little salt; cut two young chickens into joints, grease a tin or earthen pan, and lay the pieces in; put in some lumps of butter, and season well with pepper and salt; then pour the batter over and bake it an hour.

CHEESE AND TAR WALKS.—Take good put tar (on a dry, hot day) and clean sharp sand, or rather gravel, first, and lay it down in successive layers until you have a layer of tar and a layer of sand.

CHICKENS IN PASTE.—Make a crust as for pies, and roll it out in cakes large enough to cover a chicken. The chickens should be very nicely picked and washed, and the inside wiped dry; but in this pavement; no grass will grow through it; it is not injured by heat or frost. It is preferable to brick, cheaper and fully as durable.

POINTS OF A GOOD FOWL.—For general use a hen should be a good layer, after, and mother. She must be a good feeder, bright, clear, quick in her motions, but not scary, and with these points she will be a keeper. Besides she should be a good layer, with small, short legs, with a small head, broad shoulders, and a deep body. The cock should be thicker in the leg, broader across the shoulders, fully a third heavier. He should have a gallant air, be first out in the morning, first to get up, inclined to take on flesh easily, generous in picking out titbits for the hens, and not quarrelsome.

FRUIT GARDEN.—Every one who has land enough should have a separate enclosure for fruit. In a mixed garden, where vegetables and fruits are grown together, neither can be grown to the best advantage. The land should be drained, if it will be disposed to be wet, and the soil deep, well worked, and of moderate richness. Care should be taken to protect the trees, etc., from injury.

THE SUMMER OLD POTATOES SHOULD BE BOILED AND SOAKED IN COLD WATER SEVERAL HOURS BEFORE THEY ARE COOKED. This makes them hearty of dry soil, and as when first dug in autumn, they are full of water, and put in cold water with a little salt in the pot, they will be the better.

THE WATER POT.

The water pot is a very useful article, and is well adapted for the use of the farmer, and is well adapted for the use of the farmer, and is well adapted for the use of the farmer.