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STAY ON THE FARM.

We have heard of several families coming to Kinston without previously having obtained employment; soon spending the money they had accumulated and finally finding it necessary to return to their former homes. This idea of rushing to the towns is a poor one, and such a step is most unwise—even for people who work at trades and much more so for those who come to work "at most any thing." It is a hard life, an uncertain living—and at best, is unsatisfactory.

We have heard of a number of that class who wanted to move to the towns because their city brothers seemed to be getting on better in life than themselves, were living easier, etc. If they knew the oftentimes hard and bitter struggle many of their town friends were experiencing in the battle of life, discontent with life on the farms would disappear and in its stead would come a feeling of satisfaction with conditions as they are.

We believe the life of the industrious farmer, who appreciates independence, to be by far the most enjoyable in the world. He can surround himself with every comfort, rear an intelligent family, and among them live with about as much content as is possible for man to have. His sons are not exposed to the temptations of the world—are not beset by them at every turn.

So, farmer friend, you who are becoming dissatisfied with your quiet homes and would go and mingle with the noise and strife of the city, we would advise you to look well before you leap and weigh well your chances. If you must leave the farm, however, first secure permanent employment (unless you have means) before giving up the certainty for the uncertainty.

Between 1891 and 1900 this country increased her exports of machinery \$52,000,000. In the same time England increased her exports of machinery \$19,000,000 and Germany \$38,000,000. In 1900 England led with \$95,383,400 worth, this country coming second with \$71,000,000 worth and Germany third with \$54,454,400. But we imported less than any of them, \$3,300,000 worth, to \$18,482,000 for England and \$24,638,000 for Germany.—Wilmington Star.

The Jacksonville (Fla.) Times-Union remarks that not many years ago, in Leon county, the grass that grew there was looked upon as a curse, and now it is that county's most profitable crop. As time progresses farmers make some valuable discoveries. If some of the farmers in North Carolina spent half as much time and worked half as hard cultivating grass as they do in trying to kill it, they would be four times as well off, truly says an exchange.

A Baptist preacher in western North Carolina wishes congress to postpone action on the Appalachian park bill "until it can be discussed in our Baptist associations and other meetings." What business is it of the church to serve tables unless we are to have church and state unite as in the days before Thomas Jefferson and Patrick Henry secured disestablishment?—Raleigh News-Observer.

Great Britain attempted to substantiate its claim to be the savior of these United States in 1898. The attempt was not particularly happy. The plodding and the methodical German has pulled the record on her and made the claim look like a plugged nickel. We are more than ever persuaded that the salvation of this country in 1898 was in its avoirdupois.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

Here's a genius who turns up at Mumfordsville, Ky., in the person of Mr. Polcy O'Neal, who is using a set of false teeth he made himself out of a piece of seasoned apple tree root with no other tool than his pocket-knife. The teeth are said to be of perfect shape and regularity, and the plate, which is of the same piece of wood, fits his mouth as if fashioned by a plaster impression.

Dr. de Peau, a distinguished Cuban physician, who is now visiting this country, predicts if the president-elect, Estrada Palma, ever lands on the island there will immediately be a racket between the whites and blacks that will tear the island to pieces. Some people in this country would like to see that, for it would give an excuse for holding on to Cuba.—Exchange.

Power Wright, of Denver, Col., inventor of an air ship, says he isn't going to have his ship rolled to the St. Louis exposition on wheels, but will ascend down there in mid air with it. A Chicago inventor also threatens to do the same. He is the fellow who employs "cyclone force."—Wilmington Star.

J. E. Hood, the druggist, will refund you your money if you are not satisfied after using Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They cure indigestion, biliousness, constipation and headache. Price 25 cents. Samples free.

FOR THE HOUSEWIFE

Real English Plum Pudding.
The following is a recipe from a reliable source for an English plum pudding: Stone and cut in half a pound of finest dessert raisins, add half a pound sultana raisins, one and a half pounds currants, a quarter pound each of candied lemon and citron, the latter sliced as thinly as possible. Strain the juice of a large lemon over these and add a pound of very finely rubbed and rolled suet, a pound and a half of dry bread crumbs, a pound and a half of crushed macaroons, a pound of well dried flour, two pounds of Demerara sugar, a quarter of an ounce of nutmeg, a quarter of a pound of sweet almonds, blanched and chopped, and a few bitter almonds similarly treated. When chopping the almonds, add to them a tablespoonful of orange flower water. Beat separately the yolks and whites of twelve eggs, and when all the other ingredients have been thoroughly mixed together in a dry state stir into the eggs a gill of brown brandy and, if possible, a gill of cherry brandy and mix the pudding with them. If more liquid is required, add a little milk. These are the quantities for a very large pudding, which should be boiled in a mold and will take about eight hours. The pudding should be hung in a cool, dry place until needed, when it will require about two more hours' boiling. If the quantity is lessened, of course the time required for cooking will be correspondingly decreased.

Growing Kitchen Herbs.
The secret of a contented cook is the kitchen window garden. Upon many other counts it is well worth while. No matter who cares for it, house mistress or maid, it can be made the source of infinite pleasure and no little homely comfort. The possibilities of a kitchen window garden are almost as wonderful and as various as those of humanity itself. The moist, warm air suits all manner of growing things ever so much better than the starchy atmosphere of the parlor. The garden, of course, must have the sunniest window and, if possible, also the warmest one. Have it fitted with shelves rather far apart and as high as can be conveniently reached.

Ordinary wooden boxes with zinc trays underneath to catch the drip are best. They should be just as long as the shelves and of varying depths. The deepest, therefore the heaviest, should be on the lowest shelf, which should



A KITCHEN WINDOW GARDEN.

be of such height as to bring the box surface level with the window. Plant in this box sweet herbs. It will give space for a supply as plentiful as it is varied. In between their roots radishes may grow.

The next box should be given over to pot herbs—green celery, parsley and all their ilk. A pinch of kale seed or mustard seed sprinkled over every month or so will provide supplies of tender greens all the year round.

A clump of chives may fill one corner, a knot of leeks another. Tiny onions may be stuck down in the earth and plucked for eating as soon as they are full of sweet growing juice.

Give the third box to salads, lettuce and its kind. Sow radishes in the lettuce rows and pick out either for green herbs or roots as they grow. In the last two of the boxes one may grow flowers.

Promptness Unappreciated.
George—What's de matter, kid?
Willie—It's dis way (boohoo). De boss told me to be prompt about everything, an' now he's fired me because I was too prompt about goin' home.—Chicago News.

Something That Will Do You Good.

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The Original Squeers.
The grossest injury which Dickens ever inflicted on a fellow being was his too accurate portrait of an innocent man in his Squeers. That Yorkshire schoolmaster was, as a rule, cruel and wicked enough if it is true, but the particular schoolmaster who was recognized and who recognized himself as the original Squeers seems to have been an exception to the rule. It will be remembered that Dickens and his illustrator traveled together to the north of England for the purpose of collecting material for "Nickleby" and especially for the Dotheboys episode. At Great Bridge they visited a boarding school known as Bowes academy. The master, William Shaw, received the strangers with some hauteur and did not as much as withdraw his eyes from the operation of penning during the interview. This Shaw sketched him in the act; Box described the act. The personal peculiarities of William Shaw were recognized in Squeers. Shaw became a butt of popular ridicule, lost his pupils and finally died of a broken heart. Yet there is abundant evidence to prove that he was a really excellent and kind hearted man, who was made to suffer for the misdeeds of his neighbors.—Literary Era.

Warded Off.
Mr. Phoxy—Did you send the Borems a card for our muscles?
Mrs. Phoxy—Yes. How could I get out of it?
Mr. Phoxy—I'll tell Borem that Jenks is coming. Borem owes him money.

Had Small Hope.
First Physician—I understand the measles have broken out in your neighborhood?
Second Physician—Yes, but the families are so scattered I'm afraid they won't catch.—Boston Post.

Debts.
Father—How is it you never have any money?
Son—It's not my fault. It's all due to other people.—Philadelphia Press.

One man lies in his words and gets a bad reputation; another in his manners and enjoys a good one.—Thoreau.

On Her Feet

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