

# Modern Farm Methods As Applied in the South.

## Notes of Interest to Planter, Fruit Grower and Stockman

### How to Raise Good Watermelons.

Watermelons prefer sandy soil of moderate fertility, and are not likely to do well on clay or very heavy soil. If raised on the same land a number of years they will probably suffer from blight. Break the land broadcast thoroughly. Prepare for planting six to ten feet each way, depending on the variety of melon grown and the strength of the soil. Furrow deeply where the rows are to be, and cross furrow if preferred. Where each hill is to grow open a pit eight inches deep and twenty-four inches across, and apply in each pit a shovelful of well fermented compost. From four to six pounds will be the right amount.

A compost that has given good service is made of three parts by weight of cottonseed, manure and high grade acid phosphate each, and one part of kainit, all thoroughly mixed and left in a large heap six weeks to ferment. There will not be time now to ferment this mixture for the present year, which would have deprived the seed of life and made the plant food in the compost quickly available. If fresh manure had been applied to each hill before February it would be planting time, if covered with soil, have got in good condition to feed the plants. If manure is scarce, a good commercial fertilizer may be mixed with wood's mold or rich loam and placed in every hill. If the manuring is too heavy it will make more vines than melons.

Put eight to ten seeds in each hill and cover one inch deep. If hard rains and drying winds follow planting lightly scratch the surface of the hills to break the crust. If the soil is kept stirred around the young plants their early growth will be more rapid. Thin to two plants, selecting the most vigorous and stocky ones in a hill, as soon as the plants form the first two leaves. Keep up shallow cultivation and recede from the row as the plants grow. Plant a row of peas in the middles, so the pea vines will be grasped by the tendrils on the melon vines in order that the latter may not be knocked about by heavy winds. Do not move the vines for the purpose of cultivation. When it is seen that vines that keep extending their length in the latter part of the season will not be able to mature what fruit the new growth may put out, it may be best to pinch back the new growth so that the vigor of the vine may be thrown back for developing what fruit can mature.—Chas. M. Sherer, in Progressive Farmer.

### Two Most Hopeful Signs.

1. We were talking to a prominent merchant of Fairburn, Ga. He said: "The farmers in our section are improving. And six cent cotton proved a great blessing to them in disguise. It forced them to raise their corn. In 1902 I sold twenty-eight carloads of corn, and nearly all of it on credit. For the last four years I have not averaged a carload per year." This is, indeed, a hopeful sign, and we think a like condition of affairs exist all over the South. We know it does in all thrifty sections. If your section is an exception to this rule begin to fall into line.

2. In former years it was customary to hear farmers bragging about how few furrows they ran in making a crop. And it was almost the custom to "run off and plant" without any breaking or thorough preparation of the soil. Now we hear the farmers tell with pride how long it took them to prepare their land. This week a near neighbor told us how he had prepared his land for corn. He said: "I spent a week with two large mules, breaking my six acres for corn. I am going to try the Will-fanson plan." Will use 800 pounds guano per acre. I am tired going over so much land for my corn." We rejoice that the day has changed, and that our farmers are beginning to appreciate the vast difference between thorough preparation and good work and scratching the soil.—Southern Cultivator.

### Dress Your Saddle With Milk.

Here is a dressing for saddles that is so cheap that the first impulse of the reader will be to say it is no good, but the cost of a thing is not always in accord with its usefulness, and the saddle dressing that will be given will be found worth many, many times its cost. It is produced by every farmer and its inexpensiveness warrants its frequent use, for it will surprise anybody who has not seen the good effects it produces when applied right. It is nothing but milk, fresh milk.

It will be recalled that milk has fat in it, which is here a substitute for oil, and milk also has other things in it that will have a good effect on leather used in the way that saddle

leather is. Do not be content with merely moistening the saddle with milk. First clean it thoroughly with mild soap and water that has been slightly warmed. A little experimenting will show just how dry the leather should be before the milk is applied.

Milk is no exception to the rule that leather dressing should be thoroughly rubbed into the leather. The success of the work will depend largely on the amount and thoroughness of rubbing. Saddles can be greatly improved by the same treatment.

The leather part of the saddle that comes next to the horse may be treated with neatfoot oil. The sweat from the horse will deposit salt on this part of the leather and be hard on it, and that is the reason why special care should be given here. If this lower part of the saddle is kept clean it will be much better for the horse and much better for the rider.—Progressive Farmer.

### A Hive Worth as Much as a Cow.

No farm is complete in its conveniences and business methods without a few colonies of Italian bees comfortably housed in a most convenient hive. Honey is one of the farmer's most valuable assets, and in many places a dozen colonies will gather seventy-five to 100 gallons of honey during a single season, worth in many places seventy-five cents a gallon. All the bee wants is a movable frame hive, in which the honey is stored in a convenient manner for the farmer to get at any hour he may wish to have honey and butter for supper.

Thousands of gallons of the very "quintessence of sweetness," as an old bee keeper used to say, is lost in the country for the want of a place to store it. A real strong colony of Italian bees is worth as much in a year to a family as an ordinary Jersey cow is worth. Bees make the corn and cotton better by mixing the pollen of the different flowers, thereby making the seed larger and heavier, insuring greater germinating power. Farmers, if they so desired, by providing ample storage space for the bees could raise honey to sop both sides of their bread every day in the year and not trouble to make syrup. Honey has valuable medicinal properties that no other sweet has.—J. R. McLendon, in Progressive Farmer.

### Cotton Advice.

There has been a larger reduction in the production of the cotton mills. Prices have fallen. Wages in the Northern mills have been reduced, and for the time there has been a reduced demand for the raw material.

The Southern farmers should take these facts into consideration and curtail the acreage for 1908. Plant food crops, raise more hogs, more fruits and vegetables for the market and less cotton. The acreage for 1907 was larger than it should have been. A late cold spring interfered with the production, and the weather conditions and the labor conditions throughout the season united to reduce the yield per acre.

If we have in 1908 the same acreage as in 1907 and have a better crop year, better weather and better labor conditions with a smaller demand from the mills, it is clear that prices would fall, and the crop would not be remunerative.

The remedy is to reduce your acreage ten per cent, and raise other crops instead.—Home and Farm.

### Fertilizing For Peanuts.

Pops in peanuts are caused by a deficiency of potash in the soil, not a deficiency of lime. Lime applied to the soil releases potash and thus aids. Use a fertilizer strong in phosphoric acid and potash. Many peanut growers use plaster, which has the same effect of releasing potash that may be in the soil. But in using phosphate liberally you will of necessity apply forty pounds of plaster in every 100 pounds of acid phosphate, as this is the result of dissolving the lime phosphate with sulphuric acid. The sandy soils of the peanut section are deficient in potash, and a liberal application of acid phosphate and muriate of potash will increase the crop and do as much toward banishing pops as lime.—W. F. Massey.

### Better Knowledge.

It is better for a pupil to know the composition of feed for growing stock than to be able to name the battles of the Revolution. It is better for him to know the meaning of protein and nutritive ration than to know what is meant by the least common multiple.—C. K. Davis.

## QUEEN OF ACTRESSES PRAISES PE-RU-NA.



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"I am glad to write my endorsement of the great remedy, Peruna. I do so most heartily."—Julia Marlowe.

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"I saw a testimonial of a man whose case was similar to mine being cured by Peruna, so I thought I would give it a trial."

I procured a bottle at once and commenced taking it. I have taken several bottles and am entirely cured."

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### Here and There.

Don't be afraid to do more than is required of you.

Don't be afraid of experience. He is the best teacher.

The less money a man makes the more he has—if he isn't married.

You can nag a man into purgatory easier than you can pray him into heaven.

Always speak well of yourself. There are others who will attend to the other side of it.

If a man is right he can't be too radical, and if he's wrong he can't be too conservative.

If you expect to have to borrow money, better borrow it before you need it; it is easier to do so.

**FIVE MONTHS IN HOSPITAL.**  
Discharged Because Doctors Could Not Cure.

Levi P. Brockway, B. Second Ave., Anoka, Minn., says: "After lying for five months in a hospital I was discharged as incurable, and given only six months to live. My heart was affected, I had smothering spells and sometimes fell unconscious. I got so I couldn't use my arms, my eyesight was impaired and the kidney secretions were badly disordered. I was completely worn out and discouraged when I began using Doan's Kidney Pills, but they went right to the cause of the trouble and did their work well. I have been feeling well ever since."

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"Everywhere I go I speak for ZETTERINA, because it cured me of ringworm in its worst form. My whole chest from neck to waist was raw as beef, but ZETTERINA cured me. It also cured a bad case of piles." So says Mrs. M. P. Jones of 23 Trenchard St., Pittsburg, Pa. ZETTERINA, the great skin remedy, is sold by druggists or sent by mail for 50c. Write J. T. SWEETMAN, Dept. A, Savannah, Ga.

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To Drive Out Malaria and Build Up the System  
Take the Old Standard Grove's Tasteless CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form, and the most effectual form. For grown people and children, 50c.

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## THE ENGLISH TEA-HABIT.

How An American Business Man Tried to Overturn a British Tradition.

A writer in Everybody's Magazine tells the story of the collision of an American business man with the English tea habit. He had gone to London as the manager of one of the biggest enterprises in which American money is invested. He was formally introduced to all his heads of departments on the first day he went to the office. After everybody had strolled away and he had turned to his desk, a small clerkly-looking person approached him and said: "Please, sir, I wish to know if we can have some new tea rings."

"Tea rings?" said the manager; "what in the name of the Thames Embankment are tea rings?"

"Rings we put on the stove when we make our tea, sir. Thank you."

"Oh, yes, sir; we have our tea regularly every afternoon. Thank you."

The manager looked into the tea business. He found the clerk was right. The whole office force quit work in the middle of the afternoon and drank tea. The proposition did not appeal to his American mind, so he issued an order stopping the tea-drinking. There was a wild protest. Here was this American overturning the precedents of centuries. Here was a man who dared to deprive the Britons of their tea. The manager held out for a month and then capitulated, for his board of directors stood with the clerks. The directors drank tea too. He rescinded the order, bought the new tea rings, and kept tab on the amount of gas used in brewing this necessary beverage. He discovered that the tea-thirst of the clerks in his offices cost the company for gas used to brew it \$335 a year.

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**THE DUCK HOUSE.**

At a considerable distance from the chicken brooders is a duck house, where the little ducklings are sheltered and cared for from the time they are hatched to the time when they are dressed and sent to market. The house is 500 feet long and 46 feet wide. There are partitions every 100 feet to prevent drafts of air. The ducks are graded according to age, the little fellows getting what is called "baby food," a little later No. 2 feed, and as they get considerable size and strength, No. 3 feed. There is an alley running through lengthwise of the house. Through this alley a car, on which there is a box twelve feet long containing feed, is pushed along, and the ducks in pens on either side are fed as systematically as the large dairymen feed their herds of cows.

It requires a thorough knowledge of the habits of the duck to handle them successfully. Although a water fowl, they must be kept comfortable and dry while young. Water is furnished running along in a trough where they can reach their bills in and drink, but they cannot get into it. A strange characteristic is a love for light, and lanterns are kept burning to light their pens all night, or they would injure themselves by running against the partitions.—Tribune Farmer.

Don't be afraid to be polite at all times and under all circumstances. It is no disgrace to be called a gentleman.

## Free Cure for Rheumatism, Bone Pain and Eczema

Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) cures the worst cases of Rheumatism, bone pains, swollen muscles and joints, by purifying the blood. Thousands of cases cured by B. B. B. after all other treatments failed. Price \$1.00 per large bottle at drug stores, with complete directions for home treatment. Large sample free by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga.

## Some High Mathematics.

"I have carefully figured it out and find that if all the cattle we ship to market each year were one cow, she would browse on the tropical vegetation along the equator while her tail was switching icicles on the North Pole," says Homer Hoch. "And by the aid of the higher branches of mathematics I have made a careful computation which shows that if all the hogs we slaughter annually were one hog that animal could dig the Panama Canal in two roots and a half and its squeal would be so loud it would jar the aurora borealis."—Kansas City Journal.

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By Terrible Itching Eczema—Baby's Suffering was Terrible—Soon Entirely Cured by Cuticura.

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It isn't the sharpest man who gets stuck on himself.

Hicks' Capudine Cures Nervousness, Whether tired out, worried, overworked, or what not. It refreshes the brain and nerves. It's Liquid and pleasant to take. 10c., 25c., and 50c., at drug stores.

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Do Your Feet Ache and Burn?  
Shake into your shoes Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It makes tight or new shoes feel easy. Cures Corns, Bunions, Swollen, Hot, Smarting and Sore Feet and Ingrowing Nails. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Man's Mission as a Citizen.

Some have said that it is not the business of private men to meddle with government—a bold and dishonest saying, which is fit to come from no mouth but that of a tyrant or a slave. To say that private men have nothing to do with government is to say that private men have nothing to do with their own happiness or misery; that people ought not to concern themselves whether they be naked or clothed, fed or starved, deceived or instructed, protected or destroyed.—Cato, the Elder.

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"I can truly say that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound saved my life, and I cannot express my gratitude to you in words. For years I suffered with the worst forms of female complaints, continually doctoring and spending lots of money for medicine without help. I wrote you for advice, followed it as directed, and took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it has restored me to perfect health. Had it not been for you I should have been in my grave to-day. I wish every suffering woman would try it."

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## A Random Thought.

Everything has two handles; the one soft and manageable, the other such as will not endure to be touched. If, then, your brother do you an injury, do not take it by the hot and hard handle, by representing to yourself all the aggravating circumstances of the fact; but look on the soft side, and extenuate it as much as possible, by considering the nearness of the relation, and the long friendship and familiarity between you—obligations to kindness which a single provocation ought not to dissolve. And thus you will take the accident by its manageable handle.—Epictetus.

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