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THIS WEEK'S PAPER.

If you have not already gone into your corn fields to get next year's seed ears, there is no time to lose. You can make \$5 a day at this work—maybe much more. On page 3 Dr. Henry Wallace tells you how.

"How to Make Your Underdrains at Home"—that is another subject well handled on page 3; and there is a capital suggestion there, too, about taking advantage of present low prices to build a house. And when you do build, for Heaven's sake, don't be content with a mere goods box effect. Go to an architect, or else order some of the cheap architect's plans published in *The Progressive Farmer* a year or two ago.

"Keep your cotton off the market thirty days." This is the burden of a very thoughtful article by President Alexander of the Farmers' Union on page 4, and no cotton grower can afford to ignore his counsel about the whole situation.

For the housewives there are some excellent recipes on page 6; on page 9 Professor Massey tells your neighbor about a lot of farming problems that you yourself are also interested in; and on page 11 you will find remedies for a number of horse and cattle troubles. It is worth far more than our subscription price to be able to call upon such authorities for help when you need it.

That's a dandy idea our Mr. French emphasizes on page 10—"Stop your gullies with cattle



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And just in this connection, let's have a word of encouragement and gladness for these who took *The Progressive Farmer's* advice last spring and arranged for plenty of hog and hominy this year—which is at the same time, unfortunately, a word of rebuke and sadness for those who ignored our advice and followed the ways of Mr. All-Cotton. At any rate, here's the item we refer to, just clipped from one of our news exchanges and every Southern farmer ought to read it along with his Bible lesson every night now for at least a week:

"Price of Hogs Up.—For the first time in nine years the price of hogs rose even with that of cattle in the Chicago stockyards last Monday, the figure being 7 cents, or thereabout. Scarcity of live stock and high price of corn is given as the cause of the rise. The price of pork, lard, and tallow has gone up at the same time."

instead of brush." Read what he says and learn how to do it.

Gathering apples is timely work now, and a reading of Mr. Grab's letter (page 14) should not be postponed.

And then a touch of humor—we can't get along without it, and this time it's on the Poultry Page. When you finish the day's work, let somebody read Mark Twain's article aloud to the whole family and you will laugh away the cares of the hour, and sleep better for it.

NEXT WEEK'S PAPER.

Among the features already in sight for next week's *Progressive Farmer* are the following—

(1) Some general observations on European conditions as contrasted with American, as they appeared to ye Editor on our thirteen-day voyage home. This will probably be the last of the travel letters.

(2) A review of the cotton situation by Mr. T. B. Parker who has made a special study of present conditions. Cotton growers will find this article especially worthy of attention.

(3) "How to Succeed With Pecans" will be treated in our Horticultural Department by Prof. W. N. Hutt.

(4) "The Live Stock Exhibit at the Virginia State Fair" will be described for our readers by Dr. R. S. Curtis who represents us there.

(5) "An Old Time Corn Shucking" is a vivid

pen-picture of the happy harvest festival of antebellum days.

And there will be, of course, other articles of timely interest that cannot now be announced.

HAVE YOU OATS OR WHEAT FOR SALE?

A hundred farmers who have improved seed oats or wheat for sale should be advertising now in *The Progressive Farmer*. In our Farmers' Exchange an advertisement will cost only three cents a word for each insertion, while display advertising will cost only \$1.68 per inch per week—a low rate when you consider that *The Progressive Farmer* now has 24,000 average weekly circulation, averaging twice as many copies per week as any other weekly, daily or monthly between Richmond and Atlanta. Undoubtedly every man who has improved stock or improved seed for sale will find that an advertisement in our paper—carrying the news like a town crier into 24,000 prosperous farm homes a week—is the best and cheapest salesman to be had.

A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

For work done without conviction, for power wasted on trivialities, for labor expended with levity for the purpose of winning the easy applause of a fashion-driven public, there remains but one end—the oblivion that is preceded by toleration and cenotaphed with contempt.—Rudyard Kipling in "The Light that Failed."

Not without design does God write the music of our lives. Be it ours to learn the tune, and not to be dismayed at the rests. They are not to be slurred over, not to be omitted, not to destroy the melody, not to change the key-note.—Ruskin.