

The Home-Maker's Most Important Work

Some Thoughts on the Training of the Children—Teach Them to Obey and to Yield to Others, but Always Treat Them as You Would Expect if in Their Places.

I think the most difficult task we home-makers have is to bring up the children in the way that they should go. So many times we unthoughtfully lose our patience and say things that they should never hear. For the simplest words, used in the wrong place, and by parents, have the deepest impression on the children. We can many times watch and listen to them when at play, and judge from their play and conversation what their home training is. They generally use the language they hear at home, and when they see their parents give way to their tempers and perhaps treat innocent creatures angrily, it is reasonable to believe that they think they have the same privilege. And really they have, for we should never do that which we would not have them to do. So the most difficult task is to live the life we want our children to live.

Teach them first of all obedience, and to do this we must be obedient ourselves. They have their little wants and desires the same as we do, and it costs us little—a great many times nothing but a few kind words—to grant them, and the pleasure and satisfaction we give them by doing so repays us doubly for the little effort we make. And then we must never forget to show them our appreciation of their obedience to us.

The next thing is to teach them self-control, and to begin this is to control ourselves. They are sure to have bad days, when everything they come in contact with worries them. Then is when they need the most patient and loving hand to guide them. Do we not all have bad days when everything goes wrong?

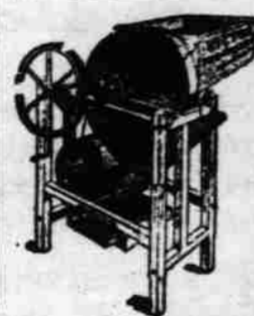
How would you like to have some one, who is so much stronger and wiser than yourself, add to this miserable feeling by harsh words and a spanking occasionally or a switching? The best thing for us to do is to try to get their minds on something they have not thought of. Tell

them little funny stories, or take them with you if you are at work and give them something to do. If it is of no use or no real help, it will occupy their minds. Why, my little girls have had needle and thread and would sit for a long time and sew scraps when they could do nothing but pucker it up into a hard ball. I double the thread so the needle will not come off and put in more as they need it.

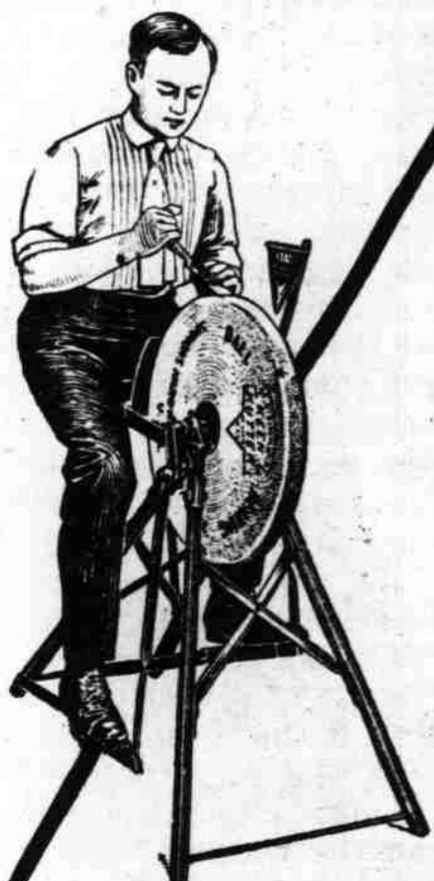
I think the most healthful play for both girls and boys is the outdoor playhouse. The girls do the cooking and housekeeping, the boys can play the part of men: get wood, do the plowing, hoeing, etc. And if they soil their clothes and themselves, don't worry. It will not hurt them. On rainy days, give them a room or corner somewhere out of the way where they can have things as they like, and always learn them to replace everything when they are through.

Another important duty is to do our best to keep them in good company, for when in Rome they are likely to do as Rome does. If we allow them while young to associate with children who use bad language and do bad things, we can't expect them to do otherwise. I know some do all in their power to bring up their children right, and at last they go astray. But how comforting it must be to them to have a clear conscience and feel like it is no thought of theirs. **NELLIE.**

Teacher—Years ago the kingdom of Spain ran clear around the world. Tommy—Who chased it?—Detroit Free Press.



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Madison, N. C., Sept. 22, 1909.
Editor Progressive Farmer,
Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Sir: Having noticed J. A. McLean's article in the September 23rd issue of The Progressive Farmer, on sheep, I would like to have the address of one or more parties of whom I may purchase 25 or 50 sheep at \$2.00 or \$2.50 per head. I am a beginner in the sheep business and have purchased a Southdown ram to cross with. If there is any better sheep I would like to know of them.

Yours truly,
ROBT. G. WILSON.

[And yet some folks do not seem to know that Progressive Farmer readers buy live stock.]

The Markets.

RALEIGH COTTON.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 25, 1909.

Good middling	13
Strict Middling	12 1/2
Middling	12
Off Grades	11 1/2 to 12

CHARLESTON PROVISIONS AND FARM SUPPLIES.

Charleston, S. C., Sept. 25, 1909.

D. S. C. E. Sides, packed	12 1/2
D. S. Bellies, packed	13 1/2
D. S. Butts	11
Butter—Creamery	32
Hams—Choice, as to size, and brand	16 1/2
Lard—Pure—Tierces	13 1/2
Pearl meal	\$1.85
Meal, common	1.80
Hay—Timothy	1.00 to 1.10
Grain—Corn, white	94
Corn, mixed	92
Oats—Clipped white	55
Mixed	52
Feed—Cracked corn, per bushel	85
Corn chop, per 100 pounds	1.60
Wheat bran, per 100 pounds	1.50
Corn bran, per 100 pounds	1.20
Middlings, per 100 pounds	1.60
Hulls, per 100 pounds	50
Rice Flour—Sacked, per bushel	50
Cotton Ties—Pleced	70
Rebundled	70
New ties	85
Bagging—3 pounds	65 1/2
Flour—Spring wheat patent	\$6.2 to 6.75
Patent	5.75 to 6.10
Straight	5.75 to 6.00
Choice	5.25 to 5.50

PETERSBURG PEANUTS.

Petersburg, Va., Sept. 25, 1909.

Spanish, per bushel	\$1.15
Virginia	
Fancy, per pound	3 1/2
Machine picked, per pound	2 1/2 to 2 3/4
Shelling stock, per pound	3

RICHMOND TOBACCO.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 25, 1909.

Receipts of new primings have been small during this week. It is evident that the bulk of the primings have already come to market. Business in old tobaccos continues to be quiet. The market is firm for all grades, with very small transactions. The weather continues to be favorable for the cutting and curing of the new crop.

(Reported by E. K. Victor & Co., Leaf Tobacco, Strips, Stems and Scraps.)

	Bright Wrappers		Fillers	
	12	7	9	11
Common	12 @ 14	7 @ 9	9 @ 6	11 @ 15
Medium	12 @ 25	9 @ 9	9 @ 9	11 @ 15
Good	12 @ 50	11 @ 15		

	Cutters		Smokers	
	10	5	6	9
Common	10 @ 12	5 @ 6	6 @ 6	9 @ 9
Medium	10 @ 12	5 @ 6	6 @ 6	9 @ 9
Good	10 @ 30	9 @ 10		

	Sun-cured		Dark-fired	
	6	5	7	9
Common	6 @ 8	5 @ 7	7 @ 9	9 @ 12
Medium	7 @ 9	7 @ 9		
Good	9 @ 14	9 @ 12		

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

New York, Sept. 25, 1909.

Potatoes have been in free receipt this week, but the demand has been good. Desirable white potatoes are worth \$2 @ 2.25 per bbl., with other stock quoted from \$1.40 @ 1.75; there is a difference of 25 @ 40c. a bbl. whether the potatoes are long or round, the preference being for the latter. Sweets, Md. and Va., per bbl., \$1.25 @ 2. Onions, 40 @ 75c. for yellow Southern; white, per basket, 60c. @ \$1; red, per bag, 75c. @ \$1.25. Green string beans, per basket, 35 @ 50c. Spinach per bbl., 25 @ 75c. Squash, Hubbard, per bbl., 75c. @ \$1; Yellow Crookneck, 50 @ 75c. Cabbage, Flat Dutch, per 100, \$1.50 @ 3.50. Corn 25c. @ \$1 per hundred ears. Eggplant, per bbl., 60 @ 75c. Lettuce per bbl., 25c. @ \$1. Cauliflower, large, per bbl., \$2 @ 2.75. Lima beans, per basket, 75c. @ \$1.25. Okra, per basket, \$1 @ 1.50. Turnips, per bbl., white, \$1.50 @ 2.25. Tomatoes plentiful, 30 @ 50c. per box for good. Watercress, per bbl., \$1 @ 1.50. Radishes, per 100 bunches, \$1 @ 1.50. Peppers, green, 85c. @ \$1 for large size. Peas, Va., \$1 @ 1.15 per basket.

Apples are worth from \$2 @ 4.50 per bbl., the latter for very fine stock. Some Mo. Jonathans are held at \$5 @ 7; a fair average for apples of all sorts is \$3. Bartlett pears, per bbl., \$5 @ 7; Seckel, \$3.50 @ 5.50; other sorts to \$1.75 @ 2.50. Peaches, 30 @ 90c. per basket for average grades, with some at \$1 @ 1.25. Plums, per 20-lb basket, 25 @ 50c. Grapes, 40 @ 70c. per case. Cranberries, per bbl., \$5 @ 6. Muskmelons, 75c. @ \$1 per crate for good stock, with standard crates of Colorado fruit selling as high as \$2.50.

Butter steady, with creamery specials, 30 1/2 @ 31c. Imitation creamery, 24 @ 25c. Western factory, firsts, 23 @ 23 1/2 c., and seconds, 1c. less.

Eggs are worth 26 1/2 @ 27 1/2 for Western firsts. Lower grades down to 20 @ 21c.

Sure of His Ground.

"It is a mere formality, I know, this asking for your daughter's hand; but we thought it would be pleasing to you if it were observed."

Mary's papa stiffened.

"And may I inquire," he asked, "who suggested that asking my consent to Mary's hand in marriage was a mere formality?"

"You may, sir," replied the young man simply. "It was Mary's mother."
—Philadelphia Inquirer.