

New Cure for Lame Back.
 Bethesda, Minn., Feb. 16th.—Mr. E. C. Getchell of this place relates a happy experience which will be read with interest by all those who have a lame back.
 It appears that last winter Mr. Getchell was seized with a lameness and weakness in his back which grew worse and worse till at last it became very bad and made it very difficult for him to get about at all.
 After a time he heard of a new remedy for backache which some of his friends had mentioned. He had heard that it was a remedy to try. The name of the remedy is Dodd's Kidney Pills and Mr. Getchell has proven that this is a cure. He says:
 "I used two boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills according to directions and my lame back was entirely cured and I am all O. K. again. Dodd's Kidney Pills are as good as represented."
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Keeping Insanity at Bay.
 Old Gentleman—So you think my daughter loves you, and you wish to marry her? Durdle—That's what I called to see you about. Is there any insanity in your family?
 "No, sir! and there's not going to be any."—Medical Record.

Bathing the Baby.
 Young mothers naturally feel anxious about the baby's bath. It is best to begin at six weeks to put the little one in the water, first folding a soft towel in the bottom of the basin. Use only Ivory Soap, as many of the highly colored and perfumed soaps are very injurious to the tender skin of an infant.
ELEANOR R. PARKER.

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FARM AND GARDEN

AN IDEA FROM OHIO.

Neighbors Have Got Together and Installed a Co-operative Corn-shank Shredder.
 There are perhaps many farmers who realize the value and convenience of shredded fodder but do not feel that the results justify the expense of personally owning a shredder. Two years ago we hired a husker and shredder, the first one ever in our community, at \$10 per day. But with cold weather, short days, moving the machine, etc., we found it a very expensive method. Besides, the owner was some distance from home and did not like to stop work when the fodder was not in the best condition for storing. Last year eight



COOPERATIVE CORN SHREDDER.

of us, neighbors, bought a husker and shredder, including a knife grinder, etc., for \$225, or \$25 per share, as one stockholder was allowed two shares, he having about twice as much corn as the others. He also had to furnish two men when husking, as it took nine to work it up to full capacity; two in the field to load, three to haul corn from field, one to haul husked corn and three around the machine, to haul water and keep the thing moving in general. They also took turns in feeding, as that was perhaps the hardest work in connection with it.

Each shareholder was charged three cents per shock, 144 hills, for what he had husked, and was allowed ten cents per hour for helping the others, no charge being made for teams or wagons, as they would have been idle anyway. We found this better than husking at so much per bushel, as it was less bother. If one's corn was good and large, it cost him less proportionately than his neighbor, but as it took longer to husk it he had to pay for more labor, and vice versa, so that at the settlement things were pretty well evened up. We hired a man with his traction engine and necessary outfit, at 50 cents per hour actual running time. As most of us had considerable stock to feed we began at eight a. m. and quit at four p. m., so that we were not "rushed to death." If the fodder or fields were not in good condition we quit until they were. One of the number kept account of the shocks and time we were at work. In 110 hours we husked 1,700 shocks, which made at least 3,500 bushels shelled corn. Much of the crop had been husked by hand before getting the machine.

This plan gave very good satisfaction. This year, however, we have not accomplished much, as the weather has been so unfavorable. We found no difficulty in keeping the fodder, if practically dry when shredded. The blower is much better than the old style carrier, as that requires a man in the mow, which causes the fodder to heat where tramped over. We tried stacking the fodder and it kept very well, except where the blower deposited on the stack. But it was quite a job to stack it, and much of the lightest and best parts of the fodder were blown entirely off the stack. It was also quite a task to haul the shredded fodder to the barn, as it is difficult to handle by ordinary means. A neighbor had some baled, but did not find it profitable selling it in competition with hay at \$10. He said the bales were nearly all moldy when opened for feeding. Shredded fodder is all right if one has mow room to store it, and plenty of stock to consume it, otherwise we doubt its value when compared with its cost.—Ohio Letter, in Rural New Yorker.

HELPFUL FARM NOTES.

The best method of making the farm profitable is to make it productive. Manure adds to the productiveness of the land as soon as it is applied, but all the substance is not used up in one season.

During the winter is a good time to clean up the old fence rows and corners that have been allowed to grow up in weeds.

The time to shape the heads of trees is while they are young. Then the tops can be easily trained in almost any shape desired.

In profitable farming the farm products must be put in the form in which they will command the most money and yet leave the farm in the most productive condition.
 President Roosevelt says: "While I am a son of Harvard, I believe that the state land grant institutions are doing a greater work and are closer to the hearts of the people than many of the older and better equipped colleges."

TESTING THE SEEDS.

Now is the Proper Time to Investigate Their Vitality and Germinating Power.

It is now time to procure and prepare seed for this spring's sowing. If put off until late, because of the delays that arise during the rush of spring shipments and spring work, the seed may not be on hand at the proper time, the seeding will be late and smaller yields will be the result.
 This is the proper time to investigate the vitality and germinating power of seeds. This should always be done unless there is no question about the matter, and there usually is; and the cost of a test is but a trifle.

Purchased seed should always be tested. Seed may have been put away in storage, in proper condition, but it may have absorbed moisture from the air, the ventilation may have been poor and the seed may have been injured by molding or heating or freezing. If such seed is used and the usual amount is sown, the stand is poor and irregular, and a low yield is the result.

The weather during the fall of 1902 was hard on the vitality of seeds, and even where the best of care has been taken, the per cent. of germination may be low. Where the seed has been neglected the per cent. of germination may fall below 50. Much poor seed will be sent out this season and it is very necessary that all seed be tested before planting.

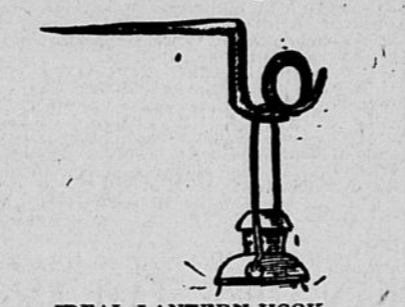
A simple apparatus for testing seeds can be made from two ordinary plates and a piece of flannel cloth. Fold the cloth and lay it in one plate, placing the seeds between folds of the cloth, which should be moist, but not dripping. Cover the whole with another plate inverted and stand in a warm place. If the test is made during cold weather, care must be taken to stand the plates where the temperature will not fall much below 50 degrees Fahrenheit at night and will be about 65 or 70 degrees during the daytime.

The seeds that have sprouted should be removed every day and the number recorded. When the test is completed the number of seeds sprouted can be compared with the number put in the test and the percentage of germination determined. Cereals and alfalfa should be tested for about ten days, while grass seeds need 14 to 30 days.—Farmers' Voice.

SAFE LANTERN HOOK.

It Reduces Danger from Fire in the Barn or Stables Almost to a Minimum.

It is not safe to hang a lantern on a common nail, as many do. Have some hooks made and put them up



IDEAL LANTERN HOOK.

in the barn and stable to hang your lantern on, then it will not get knocked off. They will not unhook by being hit with anything. Three-eighths inch round iron, sharpened on one end and bent as shown in the illustration, answers the purpose.—J. S. Blackwell, in Farm and Home.

Bees in Winter Flight.

When the bees take a winter flight, there should be a shallow basin with floating sticks or other arrangements, so that the bees can alight there and get the water they will need, and if the water is salted at the rate of about one teaspoonful of salt to a gallon of water, they will like it all the better. This may save them from taking too long a flight, and thus from the loss that follows when they go out, if they fly far for water. The water should be placed near enough to the hive so that they will have no difficulty in finding it, and if one is carried to it, it will soon show the way to the others.—Midland Farmer.

Differences in Corn Meal.

Most people in this world think corn meal is just corn meal. There are as many grades of this product as there are of almost any other product of a like nature. The best meal is made from sound corn ground slowly on stone burrs. It should not be ground too finely, and should be used within two or three weeks from the time of grinding. The rapidly ground, kiln dried product is very much of the same characteristic as sawdust and about as palatable. When we get to knowing what is the best way to provide this product for human food there will be more people using corn bread and corn fritters.—Midland Farmer.

Irrigation in New England.

The idea that irrigation is profitable only in the arid regions is rapidly becoming obsolete, especially where the production of vegetables and small fruits is made a specialty. Forty acres devoted to the raising of garden crops in Rhode Island in 1899, where irrigation was practiced, amounted in value, according to the late United States census, to \$32,515, or an average of over \$800 an acre, whereas the average garden crop of the state grown in the usual way was only about \$100 an acre.—Farm and Fireside.

Burnt corn makes excellent charcoal for the hens. Char the corn up the cobs in an iron vessel set on coals or in a hot oven.

A VENERABLE PASTOR CURED BY PE-RUNA.

Pe-ru-na is a Catarrhal Tonic Especially Adapted to the Declining Powers of Old Age.

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Mr. Isaac Brook, of McLennan county, Texas, has attained the great age of 114 years. He is an ardent friend of Pe-ru-na and speaks of it in the following terms. Mr. Brook says:
 "After a man has lived in the world as long as I have he ought to have found out a great many things by experience. I think I have found out 'One of the things I have found out to my entire satisfaction is the proper remedy for ailments due directly to the effects of the changeable climate of the United States. During my long life I have known a great many remedies for coughs, colds, catarrh and diarrhoea. I had always supposed these affections to be different diseases. For the last ten or fifteen years I have been reading Dr. Hartman's books and have learned from them one thing in particular: That these affections are the same and that they are properly called catarrh."
 "As for Dr. Hartman's remedy, Pe-ru-na, I have found it to be the best, if not the only reliable remedy for these affections. It has been my standard for many years and I attribute my good health and my extreme old age to this remedy."
 "It exactly meets all my requirements. I have come to rely upon it almost entirely for the many little things for which I need medicine. I believe it to be especially valuable to old people, although I have no doubt it is just as good for the young."—Isaac Brook.

"I RELY UPON PE-RUNA FOR ALL CATARRHAL DISEASES."

A New Man at 79.
 Major Frank O'Mahoney, West Side, Hannibal, Mo., writes:
 "I am professionally a newspaper correspondent, now 79 years old. I have watched the growing power of the Pe-ru-na plant from its incipency in the little log cabin, through its gradations of success up to its present establishment in Columbus, Ohio, and I conclude that merit brings its full reward."
 "Up to a few years ago I felt no need to test its medicinal potency, but lately when my system needed it, your Pe-ru-na relieved me of many catarrhal troubles. Some two years ago I weighed 210 pounds, but fell away down to 168 pounds, and besides loss of flesh I was subject to stomach troubles, indigestion, loss of appetite, insomnia, night sweats, and a foreboding of getting my entire system out of order. During some months I gave Pe-ru-na a fair trial, and it rejuvenated my whole system. I feel thankful therefore, for although 79 years old I feel like a young man."—Major Frank O'Mahoney.

In old age the mucous membranes become thickened and partly lose their function. This leads to partial loss of hearing, smell and taste, as well as digestive disturbances.
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 Mr. Samuel Saunders of Blytheville, Mo., writes: "My disease was catarrh of the urethra and bladder. I got a bottle of Pe-ru-na and began taking it, and in a few days I was relieved and could sleep and rest all night. I think that Pe-ru-na is a valuable remedy. I had tried other very highly recommended medicines, but they did me no good. My physician told me that I could not expect to be cured of my trouble, as I was getting to be an old

man (57 years). I feel very thankful for what Pe-ru-na has done for me. In a later letter Mr. Saunders writes: "I am still of the same mind with regard to your Pe-ru-na medicine."



Rev. J. N. Parker.

Strong and Vigorous at the Age of Eighty-eight.
 Rev. J. N. Parker, Utica, N. Y., writes:
 "In June, 1901, I lost my sense of hearing entirely. My hearing had been somewhat impaired for several years, but I could hold converse with my friends; but in June, 1901, my sense of hearing left me so that I could hear no sound whatever. I was also troubled with severe rheumatic pains in my limbs. I commenced taking Pe-ru-na and now my hearing is restored as good as it was prior to June, 1901. My rheumatic pains are all gone. I cannot speak too highly of Pe-ru-na, and now when 88 years old can say it has invigorated my whole system. I cannot but think, dear Doctor, that you must feel very thankful to the all loving Father that you have been permitted to live, and by your skill be such a blessing as you have been to suffering humanity."—Rev. J. N. Parker.

Mrs. F. E. Little, Tolona, Ill., writes:
 "I can recommend Pe-ru-na as a good medicine for chronic catarrh of the stomach and bowels. I have been troubled severely with it for over a year, and also a cough. Now my cough is all gone, and all the distressing symptoms of catarrh of the stomach and bowels have disappeared. I will recommend it to all as a rare remedy. I am so well I am contemplating a trip to Yellow Stone Park this coming season. How is that for one 71 years old?"

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