

Be you don't know where I've been... I've been on down on a farm... I could had a teeny pig... I could had a teeny pig... I could had a teeny pig...

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Joe Harper's Will... Joe Harper was an old bachelor... He owned and worked a little farm and kept house for himself...

Joe Harper's Will... He had been living thus for ten years when one day in a hollow tree on his own farm he found a great heap of money...

Joe Harper's Will... The old bachelor had called by the score, and each caller warmly congratulated him instead of being grieved by the passers-by as he worked in his fields...

Joe Harper's Will... The excitement was intense and more people turned out to pay a last tribute of respect to Joseph Harper than had ever followed another citizen of the county...

Joe Harper's Will... "Miss Lucy Arnold," read the document, "is to walk twice across the floor and imitate my gait as closely as possible..."

Joe Harper's Will... Then the document mentioned Mrs. Scott, wife of Peter Scott, who was in the habit of puckering up her mouth in a curious way and saying it was the "Aid Long Syce."

left-hand when spoken to. Miss Davis was in the habit of imitating this movement. The will read that she was to stand up and then to go through the motion twenty times...

There were twenty-two legatees under the will and twenty-one of them had to go through performance in order to inherit. In each and every case the bachelor got even and a little more, though lying in his grave...

This charge was never fulfilled. She had not yet risen to carry it out when the row began. Joseph Harper had found a box of coins in a hollow tree, but they were bogus quarters and halves...

Of course the "legatees" were boiling over with indignation, and of course the "outsiders" were tickled to death and the row did not cease until the doors were unbarred, windows smashed and fences levelled...

That Old "World" Epigrammer. The Times had a version of it last Sunday—again. Rewards might be given for the best, second best, and so on, presentations of it...

Why the Left Shoe Wears First. "Did you ever notice that people are right-footed?" asked the proprietor of a shoe store. "Watch my clerks, and you will see that invariably customers will put on their right foot when going to be fitted..."

When horses were first hitched to vehicles the driver never thought of riding himself, but walked by the side of the road as he held the lines. So as to have his right hand always ready he walked on the left side...

The French savant, M. Benard, is convinced that Nansen took the only route by which the North Pole can possibly be reached. He favors an expedition with two ships connected by wireless telegraphy...

The Farm

Remove the harness from the horses at noon when you desire to give them a full, free rest, and once during the day at least, preferably at night...

Profit in fruit growing depends on attention to the smallest details. The merchant who gives attention to the smallest details of his business will, in most cases, succeed...

Use All the Land. The much idle land is a loss, as it is taxed by the State and represents capital drawing no interest. It is better to concentrate effort on small areas...

Growing Turnips. Turnips will be found one of the most useful crops that can be grown, not only for the table, but also for stock, especially for hogs that are in pens...

Temperature and Grains. Experiments show that rye and winter wheat will germinate in a soil the temperature of which is thirty-two degrees, barley, oats, flax, peas and clover will sprout at thirty-five degrees...

Cure For Gapes. Take a knitting or darning needle and dip it in turpentine and drop one drop in the throat or windpipe, once or twice a day; and also put a few drops in the feed and keep the chicks in dry, clean coops and your gapes will be no more...

Fall Seeding to Grass. Fields are frequently seeded to grass in the fall. This is done without any crop, and in some cases is found to be more successful than spring seeding along with a crop of grain...

Sheep on the Farm. The truth is that the presence of a flock of sheep on a farm that appears to be accepted as a certificate of the ability and good character of the farmer, not only as such, but as a man as well...

Alfalfa For Hogs. A swine grower who has been trying alfalfa pasture for his hogs says that really they should not be pastured on it till the third season after sowing, as it requires three seasons he says for the plant to get well established...

Foul Pastures. But it is in the pastures that shrubs and bushes most abound. Especially is this the case where only cattle are kept. When there were sheep on nearly every farm there were not nearly as many bushes as now...

The Advantage of Salt. Cattle should be regularly supplied with a certain amount of salt. The addition of a pinch of salt is found to exercise a beneficial influence, not only upon the digestion of the food, but upon the general health of the animal...

In some experiments carried out a few years ago in Europe, it was found that the addition or withholding of salt from the food given to dairy cows meant a considerable variation in the quantity of milk produced by them...

Many Unnecessary Fences. Old customs die hard, no matter how useless they may be. On farms where much stock is to be raised fences are quite necessary, but on farms devoted to fruit growing, vegetable raising or grain production there can be little need for a large expenditure in the way of fences...

Send the Best. If farmers will make it a rule to send only the best to market they will get more money for one-half of their crop when prices are low than for the whole when the markets are well supplied...

FARM TOPICS

BREED, NOT FEED. Farmers who believe that it is the feed and not the breed which gives the results can soon satisfy themselves by keeping two steers, one a pure-bred or grade Shorthorn, and the other a scrub, giving both the same care as to food and shelter...

POISONED HOGS. I had seven young hogs running at large and they got to eating cockle burrs and six of them got enough to poison them; five of them died before I discovered what the trouble was...

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DRY FEEDING. Hundreds of young chicks are hatched every year that die before they are a month old. The most common cause of death is bowel trouble. This is not always caused by the food...

TO KEEP BUTTER FRESH. According to Thornwell Haynes, United States Consul at Rouen, the French National Society of Agriculture has recently received from one of its members an interesting communication on the preservation of butter by fluoride of sodium...

FARM NOTES. Medium sized sheep usually have the best and heaviest fleeces. Breed the horse first for strength and endurance and then style. The best sheep is the most profitable one under all circumstances...

Milk Fever. The Department of Agriculture has recently issued Circular No. 45, of the Bureau of Animal Industry, entitled "Milk Fever; Its Simple and Successful Treatment." It gives a complete description of the astonishingly successful results obtained in the treatment of this heretofore extremely fatal malady...

Losses by Bad Roads. As to losses by bad roads, the office has learned, by consultation with many thousands of the most intelligent farmers of the country, that the expense of moving farm products and supplies averages, on all our country roads, twenty-five cents per ton per mile...

Overloading the Teams is a Bad Idea. It will start horses to balking quicker than anything else. Colts require plenty of exercise in order to develop their lungs when they are growing rapidly...

The Port of Havre. The port of Havre consists of an outer harbor fifty acres in extent; there are also ten docks, with a half-tide basin and ten locks, having a surface of 210 acres. There are 10,500 yards of quays and 143 acres of land for the stowing of merchandise...

Pauperism. In Great Britain the number of paupers in each 1000 of the population is twenty-six. In southwest England it is thirty-three. In some American cities ten per cent. of the population receive charitable assistance...

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GOOD ROADS

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POPULAR SCIENCE

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