

THOUGHTS FOR THE MONTH.

TIMELY TOPICS FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF PROGRESSIVE FARMERS.

What Week Should be Done During the Month of October—Valuable Suggestions from High Authorities.

(W. L. Jones of Southern Cultivator).

In our last, the importance of covering our fields with growing crops through the winter was discussed at some length. Increased acreage in oats, barley, and especially rye, wheat also grasses and clovers, was earnestly advocated.

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THE RILEY TRAGEDY. The inquest—A Mystery that has not been revealed.

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GENERAL NEWS ITEMS. Funds of Interest, Gathered from Various Quarters.

Germany in an official note rejects Spain's claim to the Caroline Islands.

The Imperial cable has been issued mobilizing the entire Turkish army.

The resignation of Civil-Service Commissioner Eaton continues to evoke much comment.

Yale College is reported to be losing its students. Expensive living is the cause assigned.

The 'Moonlighters' in Ireland are forcing the farmers to take an oath that they will not pay rents.

The amount of standard dollars put into circulation during September, the regular course of business, was 2,700,000.

The Virginia coast seems to be attracting but little attention, though it is said to be waxing better each succeeding day.

Lined Oil and its Uses. A correspondent to a trade journal writes: Lined oil is generally prepared by cold or warm pressing of flaxseed.

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