Soft eyes of azure and eyes of brown, And snow-white foreheads are there: A glimmering cross and a glittering crown. A thorney bed and a couch of down, Lost hopes and leaflets of prayer.

A breath of spring in the breezy woods, Sweet wais from the quivering pipes Blue violet eyes beneath green hoods, A bubble of brooklets, a scent of buds, · Bird warbles and clambering vines.

A rosy wreath and a dimpled hand, A fing and a plighted vow-Three golden links of a broken band, A tiny track on the snow-white sand, A tear and a sinless prow-

There's a tincture of grief in the beautiful song That sobs on the slumbrous air; And loneliness fell in the festive throng Sinks down on the soul as if trembling along, From the clime were the roses were.

We heard it first at the dawn of day, And it mingled with matin chimes; But years have distanced the beautiful lay, And its melody floateth from far away. And we call it now. "Old Times."

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MR. EDITOR:-In the TIMES of the 8th of May, your correspondent "B.F. W." says: "all efforts made to grow clover or foreign grasses has been a failure in this county, and in the issue of the 15th, "Edisto says: "Experience teaches a dearschool and none but fools will learn therein's-which I believe, for I have been taking lessons in that school for many years. But to the clover, I wanted to try it for myself, so I got a few seed, last spring, and planted a few yards square. Though I got the seed too late for a fair trial, I now have some, six and seven inches high; now if I can make it on few yards square, I can on an acre square, and will let you know in the Fall how I come out with it. Mr. Editor, we have been having a great deal of rain, and crops that bave been worked well are doing finely, but unfortunately in some places the grass seems to be as good or better than the cotton.

> Respectfully, "SUBSCRIBER

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Are Manures Stimulants?

MR. EDITOR :- I don't deny that manures furnish furnish food to the plant, but they also stimulate the roots and force them into the soil, in search of other food. This can be easily ascertained by applying manure in bulk, twelve inches from the plant, several inches deep ; and when the plant shows, by growth and development that it is receiving good benefits from the manure, dig down to the place, and you will find countless numbers of roots diverging into the soil. These roots are the main feeders, and if manures furnished roop only, these roots would not go from the FOOD. You will find comparatively very few coming to the manure, but a great many going from it. I have been forced to conclude that MANURES are stimulants, from experimenting for the purpose of ascertaing their relative value. I had a field 11 acres long, & acre in length, which was a truck patch, and very rich; one-half acre was level and good natural soil, the other half acre was hill-side, with the best of soiled washed off. I planted cotton, manured with cotton seed, stable manure, and guane, and left several rows unmanured. I put down the manures with my fingers, and put enough certainly .-On the hill side, the guano doubled the unmanured row, and the cotton seed and

stable manure doubled the guano. On the level part there was a very perceptible difference; the cotton seed and stable manure each producing one-fourth more than the guano. In the truck patch there was no difference between the cotton seed and stable manure and guano. There was a considerable difference between the three and the unmanured row. Now, sir, what other conclusion could I come to, than that the guano was a stimulant as good as cotton seed or stable manure, but did not furnish the same amount of food to the plant. In our commercial manures you will find the stimulating properties of manure abundant, but deficient in food. These manures stimulate the roots of the cotton, and they soon take up the little nourishment in the soil, and rust is the consequence, before the season is half out. I think I have furnished proof enough; if not, let me know, and you shall have it.

"EDISTO."

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MR. EDITOR :- I am due thanks te your correspondant "F." Please tender them to him for me, for the valuable information given on the subject of planting, cultivating and curing long-forage from corn-to me a very important item in our revolutionized state of farming, and valuable to every progressive farmer who reads and thinks.

If more of our farmers would come to the front, and through your columns tell "what they know about farming," and what they do not know-and ask for imformation from their brother farmers, it would bring out the practice and experience of our best cultivators of the soil, and would be of great benefit to the farming interest of the country. We have all, as farmers, much to learn, and there are but very few if any, from whom we cannot glean some new thought or idea, which if properly applied will aid us in our avocation. At least, such is the experience of

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HOUSEHOLD ECONOMY.

RECEIPT FOR MAKING TEA .- The most important thing in brewing a cup of tea consists in having the water in the teakettle freshly boiled, and one should never use that which has been steaming and stewing for several hours. So turn out all the water in your kettle and fill it up with fresh, pure water; then boil it up briskly, and, as soon as the steam appears, turn a small quantity of water into the tea-pot and shake it about in it. Then pour it out, and add one teaspoonful of tea for each person who will drink from the pot, and one teaspoonful for the pot-(this is the old rule of our grandmothers.) Over this pour one large coffeecup of boiling water, and for breakfast tea let if boil exactly ten minutes; boil hard. But for green and Japan teas, proceed as above, and then place the teapot on the back part of the stove, or upon the elevated reservoir for water, and let it steep from five to eight minutes.

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