

**One Secret of Success.**

The faculty of keeping friends is the secret of many men. It is not enough to be able to make them. It is a comparatively easy matter to win regard and favor with a pleasing exterior and even the frame-work of a well-stocked mind. Yes, it is easy to win friends, but to hold them—"there's the rub." A real friendship and the only kind worthy of struggle and sacrifice, is a priceless possession, and he is rich indeed who cannot count his friend on the fingers of one hand. It is customary, however, to speak lightly of friendship and to refer to another as a friend when an acquaintance is meant.

People who rise to power and influence are usually those who have retained their friends. They are "the same yesterday, today and tomorrow," and prosperity does not change them. The friends of long ago are theirs for aye.—Exchange.

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**STOCK FOOD SWINDLE.**

Wheat Bran, Etc., Flavored and Scented and Sold From \$200 to \$2,500 a Ton.

The Raleigh Progressive Farmer sounds a note of warning to the farmers of the South about what it calls the stock food swindle. It says that one of the most outrageous frauds now being perpetrated upon the American farmer is that of prepared stock foods—common meal, bran, etc., with a little cheap sulphur, salt, Epsom salts, pepper, saltpeter, etc., added to change the taste, and the mixture (hardly more valuable than ordinary ship-stuff) put up in flaming packages, advertised in big illustrated ads in farm papers at from \$250 to \$2,500 a ton. The Progressive Farmer says further, that some time ago, the chief Southern contributor of one of the farm papers most circulated in North Carolina and adjoining States, wrote an exposure of the whole miserable fraud and sent it to his paper. "The reply came back: The Blank Stock Food Company pays us \$3,000 a year for advertising, and we would lose it if we were to print your letter. Please don't insist." It is quite proper that while the patent medicine nostrums are getting a drubbing, the stock food humbugs should be exposed, and this The Progressive Farmer proposes to do. If the frauds are of the nature complained of, we hope the exposure will be of a nature to protect the farmers against them.—Charlotte Chronicle.

**Household Hints.**

To make biscuits light—drench with gasolene and ignite before serving.  
How to keep servants—chloroform them and lock in the cellar.  
Quickest way to get rid of peddlers—buy all they have.  
How to remove fruit stains from linen—use scissors.  
To keep rats out of the pantry—place all food in the cellar.  
To entertain woman visitors—let them inspect all your private papers.  
To entertain men visitors—feed the brutes.  
To keep the children at home—lock up all their clothes.  
To keep hubby at home—hide his toupee.  
In order to prevent accidents in the kitchen—fill the kerosene can with water.  
To stop leaks in pipes—send for the nearest plumber.  
To economize on coal—get a gas range.  
To test the freshness of eggs—drop them on some hard surface.  
To propitiate the janitor—it can't be done.—Smart Set.

**How to Avoid Pneumonia.**

\*We have never heard of a single instance of a cold resulting in pneumonia or other lung trouble when Foley's Honey and Tar has been taken. It not only stops the cough, but heals and strengthens the lungs. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered. Dr. C. J. Bishop, of Agnew, Mich., writes: "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar in three very severe cases of pneumonia with good results in every case." Durant's Pharmacy.

**TAX NOTICE.**

The County Treasurer's office in Court House building will be open for the collection of taxes, without penalty, from the 15th day of October to the 31st day of December, inclusive, 1905.

The levy is as follows: For State, 5 1-2 mills; for county, 8 1-2 mills; Constitutional School, 3 mills; Polls, \$1.00. Also, School District No. 1, Special, 2 mills; No. 2, 2 mills; No. 3, 2 mills; No. 4, 2 mills; No. 16, 2 mills; No. 17, 1 mill; No. 18, 2 mills. 50 cents capitation dog tax.

A penalty of 1 per cent. added for month January, 1906. Additional penalty of 1 per cent. for month February, 1906. Additional penalty of 5 per cent. for 15 days in March, 1906. T. W. LEE, County Treasurer. October 5th, 1905.

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**URGES CATTLE RAISING.**

Professor Michels to the Farmers of South Carolina.

The following letter of profound interest to South Carolina farmers has been received by the News and Courier:

Clemson College, Jan. 15, 1906.  
To the Editor of The News and Courier: Thanks to the high price of cotton which has made the past year one of general prosperity for the farmers of South Carolina, most of our farmers are contented and have but little concern for the future. There are those, however, who are less indifferent and who are already speculating with more or less concern as to what the coming year may bring forth in the way of cotton and cotton prices. It is feared with good reason that the present high prices will result in increased production and consequent depression in prices the coming year.

With the South as the source of nearly the entire world's supply of cotton, it seems logical that a reasonable restriction in its culture would give us almost positive assurance of a continuance of high prices for this staple product. A reduction in the acreage of cotton necessarily calls for the growing of other crops in conjunction with cotton, and thus bring us to our inevitable goal, namely, diversified farming, without which the full agricultural possibilities of South Carolina and the South can never be realized.

The kind of farming which fits in most ideally with the growing of cotton, nay, which is absolutely necessary for best results, is the growing of live stock. That live stock is our greatest land improver is universally conceded and so long as our farmers are obliged to pay \$5,000,000 annually for commercial fertilizer it must also be conceded that something is needed to improve the productiveness of our lands.

In conjunction with the growing of cotton live stock is of the highest value if for no other reason than the consumption of the by-products of this vast industry. Our farmers are wasting millions of dollars annually by applying their cotton seed and cotton seed meal directly to the land instead of feeding it to live stock and applying the manure to the land. A ton of cotton seed meal has a fertilizing value of \$28.50 per ton. When fed to live stock from 80 to 90 per cent. of its fertilizing value is recovered in the manure. When fed to a dairy cow and only butter is sold, all the fertilizing value of the cotton seed meal is recovered, because butter contains no fertilizing ingredients.

It is evident that the value of cotton seed meal as a food for milk production is far better understood outside of the cotton belt than within it. For years Denmark and Germany have imported large quantities of our cotton seed meal for milk production. Hundreds of tons are annually shipped to various parts of the United States outside of the cotton producing region, where this feed is regarded as one of the most economical for milk production.

What does this vast shipment of cotton seed meal to different parts of the world mean to our farmers? It means a shifting of land values. Every time the German or Danish or English farmer feeds a ton of cotton seed meal he adds practically \$28.50 to the value of his land, and just so often the Southern farmer loses an equivalent amount in land value.

Hundreds of carloads of cotton seed meal are fed to dairy cattle in places where it cannot be purchased for less than \$30 to \$35 per ton. And yet in most of these very places the meal is purchased solely for the purpose of milk production, and that, too, with the intention of making money. When fed to the right class of cattle cotton seed meal is worth at least \$35 per ton as a milk producer. Whenever, therefore, a ton of meal is thrown upon the land we add to it \$28.50 worth of fertility, but throw away its most valuable part, its feeding value, which we have placed at \$35 per ton.

The great agricultural possibilities of South Carolina will not be realized until our farmers will return to the land the cotton by-products, and not until then will they know that cotton can be produced without an expenditure of millions of dollars for commercial fertilizer, which, under the present system of farming, is a necessity. And when our farmers will raise enough live stock to consume the cotton seed and cotton seed meal produced upon the farms, they will then produce the butter and cheese, the bacon and ham, and other live stock products now so largely imported from outside the State.

The raising of live stock will necessitate the growing of grasses and forage crops, which are bound to improve the quality of our lands. Many of our soils are deficient in humus or vegetable matter and need to be planted to grasses and clovers. Hitherto the amount of live stock has been too limited to warrant anything like an extensive culture of the leguminous crops, such as cowpeas, clovers and alfalfa. Yet no one questions their soil renovating influence.

With our grasses and clovers for pastures, with cowpea hay, corn, and sorghum for roughage and cotton seed

cotton seed meal, rice meal, corn and other feeds for concentrates, we confidently believe that live stock can be grown as successfully in South Carolina as in any part of this country or any other country.

Let us feed our cotton seed and cotton seed meal at home, produce our own live stock products, raise our own horses and mules, manufacture our own fertilizers, and some day South Carolina will be pointed out as the richest agricultural State in the Union.

John Michels, Associate Prof. Animal Husbandry and Dairying.

**AIKEN'S MOTIVE PERSONAL?**

The Ex-District Attorney Tells of a Disagreement Between Himself and the Third District Congressman.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 22, 1906.  
To the Editor of the News and Courier: I have seen the published statement that Congressman Aiken says that he had pursued the subject of opposition to my reappointment "persistently and relentlessly," and had called upon the Attorney General and the President, frequently protesting against my reappointment. Aiken is reported in the published statement as saying that he did this from a high sense of public duty and in no spirit of personal spite or malice.

This is a wholly false impression to create, for Congressman Aiken's action was prompted by both spite and malice as a result of a difficulty between us over some postoffice patronage in his district nearly two years ago. For about that length of time we have not been on speaking terms and the correspondence between us was so bitter that he sent it to United States Marshal Adams as a mutual friend to pass upon looking to a settlement of our differences. So angry and bitter were our feelings supposed to be that Mr. Duvoant, of Chester, a warm friend of mine, and a relative by marriage of Aiken, has frequently written me and my friends, anxiously urging some reconciliation to avoid a personal difficulty. Mr. Blalock has written similar letters.

I gladly submit this recitation of actual facts in connection with Aiken's high-sounding pretension of a sense of public duty void of personal spite or malice against me.

John G. Capers.

**What Congressman Aiken Says.**

Washington, January 22.—Representative Wyatt Aiken, when seen to-night and told of the letter of Mr. Capers to be published in the News and Courier tomorrow, charging that his recent activity in regard to the district attorney matter was actuated by motives of personal enmity, denied that such was the case, and declared that he had no personal enmity against Mr. Capers. As to endeavors on the part of mutual friends to bring about a reconciliation, said Mr. Aiken, that is simply ridiculous. About fifteen months ago I had occasion to write Mr. Capers urging him to use his influence against the removal of Mrs. Ford, the postmistress at Liberty, Pickens county. She had given eminent satisfaction there to all classes of people, and I had many requests from representative citizens there to use my influence to keep her in office. I wrote to Mr. Capers telling him that efforts were being made to displace her by the appointment of a negro and urged him to prevent this. "The letter was respectful and contained nothing which, as I could then see or can now see, Mr. Capers could take offence at. Yet, from the tone of his reply, he evidently did. I replied then in kind with his, as he intimates. Since then I have met him on the street, and he did not know me, but I have not been conscious of any personal enmity towards him. Such matters as these are political, not personal. I am in Congress for the purpose of looking after the interests of my constituents, and I did then just as I have done in this district attorney matter—tried to look after these interests.

"To say that I was actuated by motives of personal spite in asking the President and Attorney General Moody to investigate charges made against an officer by the people whom I represent, is to plead the baby act."

Mr. Aiken added further: "Even granting that Mr. Capers's charge of personal enmity is true, which I say is not the case, I take it that there must have been something more in the matter. It is not likely that the President and Attorney General Moody would remove a man from such an office just because I did not like him."

**Danger of Cold and How to Avoid Them.**

\*More fatalities have their origin in a result from a cold than from any other cause. This fact alone should make people more careful as there is no danger whatever from a cold when it is properly treated in the beginning. For many years Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been recognized as the most prompt and effectual medicine in use for this disease. It acts on nature's plan, loosens the cough, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. Sold by all druggists.

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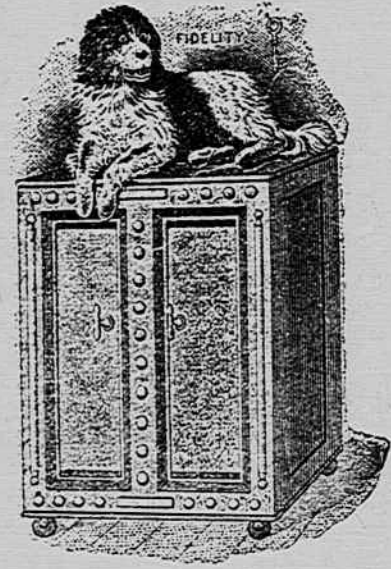
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" *77	Florence to Sumter	" 9 20 ar
" *57	Gibson to Sumter	" 9 20 am
" 52	Charleston to Greenville	Leaves 9 31 am
" 46	Orangeburg to Charleston (Tuesd'y, Thursd'y, Saturd'y)	" 9 35 am
" *78	Sumter to Lucknow	Leaves 9 40 am
" *77	Lucknow to Sumter	Arrives 6 00 pm
" 53	Greenville and Columbia to Charleston	" 6 30 pm
" 32	Augusta to Florence	" 6 30 pm
" *56	Sumter to Gibson	" 6 50 pm
" *78	Sumter to Florence	Leaves 7 10 pm
" 47	Charleston to Orangeburg (Tuesd'y, Thursd'y, Saturd'y)	" 8 20 pm
" 55	Wilmington to Columbia	" 9 35 pm
" 78	Sumter to Bishopville	Leaves 9 50 am
" 77	Bishopville to Sumter	Arrives 6 00 pm

**Freight Trains carrying Passengers.**

Train *24	Sumter to Hartsville	Leaves 8 15 am
" *19	Sumter to Robbins	Leaves 10 00 am
" *20	doobus to Sumter	Arrives 7 30 am
" *25	Hartsville to Sumter	Arrives 9 10 pm

**Northwestern Railway.**

Train *70	Camden to Sumter	Arrives 9 00 am
" *71	Sumter to Camden	Leaves 9 35 am
" *68	Camden to Sumter	" 5 45 pm
" *72	Wilson Mill to Sumter	Arrives 12 30 pm
" *73	Sumter to Wilson Mill	Leaves 3 30 pm
" *69	Sumter to Camden	" 6 31 pm

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