# TIMELY HINTS FOR FARMERS

### Flaxseed For Skimmilk Calves.

We have found that flaxseed is the best substitute that can be used to replace butter fat removed by the cream separator, writes H. E. McCartney in Farm and Fireside. Flaxseed has all the qualities demanded of such a substitute. It is high in oil or fat. It is very palatable, and its effect on the calf's digestive system is beneficial.

To prepare flaxseed for this use is a very simple process. Simply boil it in about four times its bulk in water. The boiling is to be continued until the whole seeds have burst, after which it will be a jellylike mass. Enough may be prepared at one time to last for several days, as it is not liable to spoil.

About a half teacupful should be fed to each calf. This is measured out and mixed with the calf's allowance of milk just before feeding time. Flaxseed fed in this way makes a wonderful difference in the growth and appearance of the skimmilk calf. However, it will not entirely take the place of the butter fat. The skimmilk calf even at its best will not grow as rapidly or mature as early as the one that suckles its dam, yet in nearly all cases it is more profitable to milk the cow and raise the calf by hand.

### Poultry on the Farm.

On every farm poultry should not only have a place, but a prominent place. There should be a good house, proper equipment and a good flock of pure bred fowls. One hundred to 200 fowls is not too many for a farm of average size.

The fields and garden produce a large quantity of food for fowls that would not otherwise be utilized, while the farm poultry establishment opens a way for the farm boy and girl to make a little money out of a work that is a nature study, interesting and profitable as well, and it is one of the few kinds of employment they can get into that will not tax their physical strength. Properly handled, the farm flock can be made far more profitable than it is now, though on a good many farms the poultry is already paying large profits over expenses of establishment, care and feed.

### Treatment of Wound by Nail.

In case the horse or cow has stepped on a nail, clean the wound as well as possible and then wash it out with a 5 per cent solution of carbolic acid. After this has been done stop up the opening with cotton saturated with turpentine. If this remedy is used at once it will prevent an attack of lockjaw.

## SUITABLE CROPS FOR HOG PASTURES.

### Rape and Rye Furnish Excellent Fall Forage.

Clover pastures, which are much the most common of the hog pastures in the corn belt, furnish very large amounts of excellent forage during part of the season. They can be used fairly early in the spring and continue growing until perhaps in July, when the weather becomes hot and dry, when they are very likely to cease growth and become so woody and hard that hogs will not readily eat the clover. Farmers should guard against this condition by providing some different green feed for late summer and autumn.

There are several crops which may be planted for late summer pasture which will furnish fresh succulent green feed for all seasons of the year. One of the most valuable of these is rape. This may be sown broadcast in the cornfields at the last cultivation at the rate of three to five pounds of seed per acre and by early autumn will have made a growth to furnish pasture of an excellent quality. Rye is another crop the possibilities of which are greatly neglected. If sown late in the summer or early fall it will grow up so that it may be pastured late in the fall and during the winter, will furnish a lot of feed in the spring and still produce a grain crop the following summer. [illegible] corn and the various varieties of sorghum can also be used for this purpose with excellent results. There is no section of the country which is adapted to hog raising which will not produce some of these pasture crops so necessary to the economical growing of hogs as well as to the greatest growth and best development of the animals.—Kansas Farmer.

### Spray the Cows.

It's an excellent and profitable plan to begin spraying the cows early in the season, before the flies are so numerous. The hair and skin of the animals thus become so saturated with the spraying solution that the fight against the flies will be more successful from the start.

### Wood Ashes For Hogs.

Keep a small box of wood ashes or charcoal where the hogs can get at it. It will do wonders toward keeping them healthy and their digestions strong. A little attention to matters of this kind will result in a more thrifty growth and quicker fattening.

# HUMOR OF THE DAY

### Had It on His Mind.

A clergyman tells the following story:

"A young man came up to me one day with the remark, 'Parson, I want you to marry me next Wednesday.'

"'All right. I'll marry you.'

"'And I want the church bell to ring.'

"'Yes, you can have the bell rung.'

"'And the organ played.'

"'All right, you can have the organ.'

"'And I want everything else anybody ever had at a church wedding.'

"'You shall have it.'

"Well, the day came, the bell rang, the organ played, the church was crowded and everything went off as the young man wanted it. When the ceremony was over the young couple waited instead of leaving the chancel, so I shook hands with the bride and then held my hand out to the bridegroom.

"He had his hand deep in his trousers pocket, and as I stood with mine out he said somewhat impatiently and in a tone that could be heard all over the church:

"'I'm getting the money out as fast as I can.'

"Then everybody in the church giggled."—Tit-Bits.

### "Hess and Hess."

Minister—Now, Tommy, suppose you did something naughty and were asked if you did it. What would you say?

Tommy—I dunno.

Minister—You don't know? Why—why, what would hapen if you told a lie?

Tommy—The devil 'd get me.

Minister—That's right. And what if you told the truth?

Tommy—I'd get the devil.—Toledo Blade.

### Literal.

Agnes was being hurried off to bed at her usual hour, 8 p. m., despite the fact that there were guests in the house.

"Why, Agnes, you go to bed with the chickens, don't you?" a visitor sympathetically remarked.

"No, I don't," replied Agnes, resenting his reference to her youth. "I go to bed with mamma."—Harper's Magazine.

### The Safe Course.

This clerk may have been impudent, but no doubt the customer smiled in spite of herself.

"How do you tell bad eggs?" asked the young housewife.

"I never told any," replied the grocery clerk, "but if I did have anything to tell a bad egg I'd break it gently."—Christian Guardian.

### The Quest of Tranquillity.

"Sometimes," said Plodding Pete, "I'm tempted to map out a route that'll take me to them there arctic regions."

"The climate's no good," ventured Meandering Mike.

"No, but your nerves git a rest. None o' them Eskimos is lookin' fur farm hands."—Washington Star.

### Another Slap at Him.

"Do you find out here," asked the stranger in Colorado, "that giving women the right to vote has made politics any cleaner?"

"Well, I can't say as to that," replied the old settler, "but I know some children that it seems to have made a lot dirtier."—Philadelphia Times.

### Her Dearest Friend.

"I don't like my new gown very well," said the lady. "The material is awfully pretty and the style is all right, but it needs something to improve the shape of it."

"Why," suggested her dearest friend, "don't you let some other girl wear it?"—Boston Globe.

### A Damaged Article.

Sophie, after scrutinizing her new sister for several minutes, discovered deep creases in the flesh of her fat little wrists and neck.

"Mamma," said Sophie earnestly, "we don't want her. She's cracked. We must exchange her right away."—Delineator.

### Mixed, but Emphatic.

"Since you got married you are late every morning," complained the boss.

"Well," explained the breathless clerk, "I have to button up the ashes and shake down a shirt waist and carry out the furnace every morning."—Washington Herald.

### The Ups and Downs of Life.

Wife (at breakfast table)—Who are your two letters from, dear?

Hub—Oh, one is from Jack Dudley, asking me to come up, and the other from my tailor, who wants me to "come down."—Boston Transcript.

### Wanted It Settled.

"There's one thing I never could understand," her husband began, but he got no further, for she interrupted him to ask:

"Which one—your first wife or me?"—Chicago Record-Herald.

### A Set Back.

"Started saving up for your summer vacation yet?"

"I had started, but we ran out of coal, and now I shall have to begin all over again."—Detroit Free Press.

### Nipped In the Bud.

He—If I should—er—ask you to marry me—

She—You'd make the thirteenth.—Newark (N. J.) Star.

# IN THE REALM OF FASHION

### Dainty Dressing Jacket.

A fascinating dressing jacket or matinee of palest blue soft satin is illustrated here. It is quite a new shape, opening on either side and trimmed with a collar and a handsome border

BLUE SATIN MATINEE.

of broad Nottingham lace carried out in effective renaissance design. This lace is specially interesting as being a fine specimen of the artistic and beautiful work which can be done by English lacemakers.

### Elegant Bags.

Of the making of new satchels there is no end, but on the whole the knapsack slung around the shoulder and resting on the left hip is especially convenient, while of course this in no way detracts from its charms. Made in velvet, bound with gold and buttoned with gold, it is an object you may meet by the hundred in the shops. A greater novelty is the bag entirely made of fine gold cord worked to simulate crochet, and this tasseled with oriental beads, green and blue, with jade handles and a lining to match. It is among the editions de luxe relied upon to accompany with equal grace the walking costume of satin or the brocaded frock dedicated to evening wear.

## CHARMING HATS FOR SMALL FOLKS.

### The Mushroom Shapes and Ribbon Flowers Are Popular.

Whatever forms are taken by hats for grown people, the majority of hats for children are constructed to afford some shade to the eyes and to rest comfortably on the head. The mushroom shape is varied somewhat, but remains along the same lines and is built of straw and also of lingerie.

One such type of hat is made of leghorn and is trimmed with a wide piece of soft satin ribbon wound around the crown and finished on the side with two satin roses and a few artificial leaves.

To make the roses one must wrap a fold of satin around the finger quite loosely and sew the lower edge of the folds together. The satin is then pushed out and caught down in places to simulate the petals of a half blown rose, and a cluster of little stamens of brown, yellow or green are introduced into the middle and sewed in place.

One may, however, buy satin roses, which are considered better form for children's wear than the usual artificial roses. In place of flowers it is also in good taste to sew a rosette or several flat loops of ribbon on the hat.

A mushroom shape with enlarged flat crown is in a rough straw, with a band of yellow ribbon around the upper part of the crown and double loops of graduated ribbon set at intervals upon the brim. A wreath of small flowers is then basted in place around the crown. If the hat is to be worn for school and play purposes a simple ruching of ribbon around the crown is trimming enough.

"Tete de negre" straw is very much favored for wear. It rarely fades and is dark enough to match any color.

Piping is applied to many of the newest hats, and when the trimming consists of plumage the colors of it and the piping harmonize.

Putty is one of the shades seen in the season's millinery, but it is the trying for the ordinary adult complexion.

### Braided Skirts.

There is a tendency to trim skirts with braids, bands, folds, buttons, fancy panels and gores. Fashion has evidently tired of the plain, beltlike styles of the last season or two. Ankle lengths at present prevail for the street.

# TIMELY BREVITIES

Last year Norway produced 453,600,000 boxes of matches.

The Turkish minister of war has decided to introduce water filters in the army.

Nearly twice as many women as men are engaged in the industries of Japan.

In the United Kingdom there were last year, according to official returns, 18,228 Mormons.

It is estimated that there are 4,000 Protestant and 1,400 Roman Catholic missionaries in China.

Within the last four years the number of horses in Wisconsin has increased by 73,008 head.

Norway sells matches and paper to the United Kingdom, the East Indies, the United Kingdom and Germany.

An instrument for measuring the nocturnal terrestrial radiation of heat has been invented by a Danish scientist.

A pistol so small that it may be held in the mouth and discharged with the teeth has been invented by a Berlin artist.

The spread of the destructive cotton boll weevil is attributed by some to the destruction of birds which formerly held the insects in check.

The largest bed of salt in the world is said to have been discovered at Fort McMurray, Manitoba. It is 200 feet deep and extends for 300 miles.

Belfast, Ireland, has the largest masonry drydock in the world, and it was recently opened to admit as its first charge the White Star steamship Olympic.

Recent experiments in France indicate that mushroom poisoning can be cured by a serum prepared in a similar manner to diphtheria or rabies antitoxin.

Four man eating lions were recently captured at Gwalior, in India, by means of fly papers, which, getting on to the faces of the animals, made them an easy prey.

It has been established by statistics compiled at the slaughter houses that the Parisians really have a diminishing taste for beef and an increasing appetite for horseflesh.

Just a few thousand less than 20,000,000 lobsters were caught in Maine waters last year, 3,000,000 more than the previous year and nearly twice as many as five years ago.

There has recently sprung up a sudden demand for glass beads. They are used for beautifying costumes for women, for interior house decorating and a variety of other purposes.

Dr. Arrhenius, a Swedish scientist, has made a calculation showing that at the rate of diminution of carbonic acid in the atmosphere we can't last beyond 10,000 years on this old earth of ours.

"Force the children to take back seats at the moving picture show" is the advice of an English authority, who says that no child should be allowed to sit nearer than thirty feet from the curtain.

"The attempt to commit suicide is not a punishable offense under the German criminal code. But, of course," says a London exchange, "if you succeed you must be prepared to take the consequences."

By the will of a French lady who died recently a farm was left to the town on condition her family vault was kept in repair, while the rest of her estate was to be divided among those attending her funeral.

The manufacture of paper boxes is widely distributed throughout England. The boxes are made in all the large towns and give employment, it is estimated, to more than 22,000 persons, of whom 17,000 are women.

A Russian army surgeon has invented a process for preserving fresh meats which consists of dipping carcasses in a solution of acetic acid, then in a solution of common salt in glycerin, the two forming a thin, elastic dry crust.

A searchlight that can be carried and operated by motors from a balloon attached to a warship has been patented by a German for use in night battles, so that the warship carrying it will not itself be a target for an enemy's guns.

That rare event, a ruby wedding, was celebrated in Balfour village, Shapansey, Orkney islands, recently by Mr. and Mrs. John Grever. They were married in 1841, and their respective ages are ninety-one and ninety-four years.

Sweden, according to a Paris newspaper, supplied half the pulp paper of last year's production, and in seventy years, we are told, Swedish forests will have disappeared. During the last election France required 545,535 kilograms of paper for bills alone.

English and French gardeners are always in the market for live toads, and not unfrequently as much as $25 per hundred is paid for this insect destroyer. It is estimated that every time a boy kills a toad he is destroying $100 worth of stock on a farm.

The usual hours of work in Japan are twelve a day. Males over fourteen get from 16 to 25 cents a day and under fourteen from 6 to 10 cents a day. Females over fourteen are paid from 10 to 14 cents a day and under fourteen from 5 to 9 cents a day.

Since 1858, a period of fifty-three years, only three men have held the office of secretary of the commonwealth of Massachusetts. William M. Olin, who died recently, was first elected in 1891. Such a record would be remarkable in any elective office, and it is the more so in this case from the fact that the term is only one year.

# NEW TALES THAT ARE TOLD

### Very Suspicious, Indeed.

William Loeb, Jr., at a dinner in New York, said of certain customs dodgers:

"They do very incriminating things, then they claim that these things are mistakes. Granting them to be mistakes, they are suspicious—as suspicious as the business man's wire.

"The wife of a young business man got a wire from her husband the other evening that said:

"'Shall dine with Milly Brown, an

BURSTING INTO TEARS, SHE HANDED HIM THE TELEGRAM.

old gal of mine. Will be late. Don't wait for me.'

"When the business man reached home at midnight his wife met him in the hall.

"'Wait for you!' she sneered. 'Why, I wouldn't wait for the best man that ever lived, let alone you!'

"'Why, my dear'— he stammered.

"Then, bursting into tears, she handed him the telegram, and in a jiffy he explained that what he had really wired was:

"'Shall dine with Billy Brown, an old pal of mine. Will be late. Don't wait for me.'"

### And So It Goes.

H. G. Wells, the novelist, tells a story of a gentleman next to whom he once sat at a public dinner. The conversation had turned upon one of his own books, and Mr. Wells had said something to the effect that "were there no salt seekers the world would be a very Utopia."

This neighbor promptly observed, "I maintain that all water used for drinking and culinary purposes should be boiled at least an hour."

"You are a physician, I presume?" suggested the novelist.

"No, sir," was the unexpected reply, "I am in the coal line."—Chicago Record-Herald.

## THE JUDGE'S FINE GIFT OF ELOQUENCE.

### Old Time Dentistry Practice a Keen Spur to Oratory.

A story was recently told of the elder Judge Peckham, father of the supreme court justice. In the early days of dentistry a hickory plug was put into the cavity to fill the space where a tooth ought to be. This plug had to be gently pounded into its desired position. The old judge was somewhat addicted to strong language, and when the dentist began his work the judge indulged in some classic comment. As the tapping of the plug continued he threw all dignity to the four winds of heaven and his language became decidedly "more forcible than elegant." When, however, he arose from the chair after what seemed to him an interminable period of agony, he pulled out all the stops in his vocabulary for a grand climax. The impression on his listener seemed to have been deep and lasting. As the judge paid his fee the dentist remarked in a wistful manner:

"Wasn't it beautiful? It wasn't really necessary to pound half as long, but I did so enjoy his interview that I just kept pounding his hickory plug into splinters. Wonderful command of language the judge has!"—Case and Comment.

### Geniality.

Edgar A. Brown, the Denver millionaire, who is writing a book about his two years' voluntary experience as an "out of work," said the other day:

"One trouble about poverty is that it makes you ridiculous. You need shaving; your trousers are fringed at the ends; your coat has a hole in the elbow. Yes, to be poor is ridiculous—as ridiculous as being misquoted in the press."

Mr. Brown laughed gently.

"A friend of mine," he said, "was misquoted in the press last week. My friend in a sociological address said:

"'Whisky makes men genial for a time.'

"But his favorite paper reported this remark as:

"'Whisky makes me genial for a time.'"

# SELECT CULLINGS

### Strides of the Big Guns.

Sir A. Trevor Dawson makes this comparison to show the great strides made in modern ordnance in forty-five years: In 1864 the most powerful twelve inch gun was a muzzle loader, twelve calibers long, weighing 23.5 tons, using a charge of eighty-five pounds of powder and discharging a projectile of 614 pounds with a muzzle velocity of 1,300 feet per second. It could perforate sixteen inches of wrought iron at the muzzle and eight inches at a range of 6,000 yards. In 1909 the twelve inch gun had become a breechloader, fifty calibers long, weighing seventy tons, using a projectile of 850 pounds discharged with a muzzle velocity of 3,000 feet per second and capable of penetrating fifty-two inches of wrought iron at the muzzle, thirty-seven inches at a distance of 6,000 yards and seventeen and one-half inches at 24,000 yards.—London Standard.

### Criminal Smart Set of Naples.

In the criminal classes of Naples are many who are able to enter the best society. Speaking of the upper strata of the Camorra, a writer in the London Chronicle says: "This criminal smart set has its own special sphere of action. It frequents the salons and drawing rooms of the fashionable world, wears evening dress and dines at good restaurants. These high caste criminals consist very often of decayed and spendthrift noblemen and viveurs of prominent families, who are driven to a life of wrongdoing by chronic impecuniosity. Their specialty is the extorting of taxes from high class gambling houses or from other establishments bearing sinister reputations. The police, curiously enough, view these proceedings with a tolerant—one might say a blind—eye."

### Sensitiveness of the Compass.

Here is a strange tale of the sea revealed in a recent admiralty order. The compass of one of her majesty's ships suddenly became strangely and violently deflected. After a host of inconclusive speculations the helmsman naively wondered whether his medical truss had anything to do with the case. Investigation disclosed the fact that this instrument was highly magnetized and responsible for the variations. So henceforth no trussed sailor is to be permitted at the wheel. May not this discovery supply the key to sundry nautical mishaps never yet satisfactorily explained?—London Truth.

### A Loss That Was Felt.

Captain Hardress Lloyd, the famous polo player, was talking in New York about the abolition of flogging at the great English public school of Eton.

"I am glad," he said, "that flogging is now done away with. Eton boys used to suffer a good deal from the birch. There was some Eton master in the seventies who flogged so severely that his death, when he came to die, was announced in the papers among the shipping news. They announced it under the head:

"'Loss of a whaler.'"

### We Are a Nation of Man Killers.

Statistics show that 9,000 murders and homicides are committed annually in the United States. Less than 2 per cent of these criminals pay the penalty fixed by law. We have already gained the stigma of a nation of man killers. We have surpassed the notorious record of Italy. Today we have in the United States 115 homicides per million inhabitants; Italy has 105 per million, Germany 13, France 19 and Great Britain and Ireland 27 per million.—Herbert Bruce Fuller in World's Work For June.

### A Poor Poet's Gay Clothes.

From the inventory of Signor d'Annunzio's wardrobe, which has been seized with his other effects under an execution at his country house, it seems that the author has been clothing himself as magnificently as any of his heroes. In addition to large quantities of jewelry, such as rings, studs and tie pins, the goods seized include 72 silk shirts, 44 pairs of silk socks, 98 pairs of gloves, 240 handkerchiefs, 150 ties, 8 umbrellas and 10 parasols.—London Chronicle.

### Parachute For Aviators.

An invention has been brought out, an aviator's parachute which folds into a small space, and in the event of the aeroplane capsizing or plunging to earth, opens and [illegible] out of the machine. A dummy weighing [illegible] pounds was recently launched [illegible] from an aeroplane [illegible] both dummy and aeroplane descended gently to the ground.

### A Woman of Many Accents.

Here is Mme. Jeanne Jomelli's breezy view about opera in English: "I was born in Holland and educated in Germany. I studied in Italy, was naturalized in America, and then I married a Frenchman. I am equally at ease in Dutch, English, Italian, German and French, and therefore I am very partial to opera in the vernacular. When in New York sing as New Yorkers do."

### Not Diplomatic.

"Absentmindedness would never do in diplomacy," said W. J. Carr, chief clerk of the department of state in Washington. "I know an absentminded senator who went to a cabinet official's house and [illegible] for the [illegible]"

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