

# THE NEW EDITION OF THE FABLES OF LAURENCE STURGEON

The New Fables of the Two Unfeared Birds and How Far They Flew.

Once there was a girl with a gleaming New Hampshire forehead who used to exchange helpful books with a studious young man who had an intellect of high voltage. It was not even necessary to be called Platonic. It carried about as much Romantic Suggestion as a cold Hot Water Bottle.

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## THE FARMERS OF MICHIGAN

The Michigan farmer stands to win millions of dollars through the upward impetus which the European market has given to crop prices. Estimates made a few days ago indicate that if certain prices hold, as at present seems likely, farmers in this state will reap profits from each eight to ten millions of dollars and over. This is the calculated gain year while these crops brought in 1912, which was a year and varied but little from the average.

The 1914 oat yield for the state has been forecast at \$5,000,000, which is the fact that they were shipped from the express office in that town a total of 4,855 crates of berries, to say nothing of the large number sent by parcel post.

Wheat is another crop which it is figured will net the farmers of the state a nice profit. Wheat prices at present are an average of four cents a bushel above what they were in 1912, and an estimated Michigan yield of 15,500,000 bushels, wheat is counted on to bring the growers about \$40,000 more than it did two years ago.

Another source of gain is expected to be had from sugar beets, white potatoes, beans and other crops are commanding top figures. From all sources it has accordingly been estimated that the war will place \$100,000,000 to \$250,000,000 more in the pockets of Michigan farmers than their crops brought in 1912 or 1913.

OF MICHIGAN'S BIG FARMERS. At Hrusus, near Petoskey, is the farm home of Jesse Dennis, one of the biggest farmers in the state—in big size and big in accomplishments. He finds time to work a big farm, big as the farm home of Jesse Dennis, one of the biggest farmers in the state—in big size and big in accomplishments.

THE "SAND" FARMER. The "sand" farmer of Michigan, will make an exhibit at the Greater Michigan fair at Grand Rapids showing his methods of reclaiming the Michigan pine barrens. This exhibit will occupy one end of the main building and will be 84 feet long. It will illustrate the "pine barrens" and how they are reclaimed by the "sand" farmer.

GRAPE CROP IS BOUNTIFUL. The grape deal is in on southwest Michigan. An excellent crop of early varieties are now going forward daily. Early varieties show an excellent indication of the general crop, and are of a good quality. Champions, Early Moore and Worden are ready for shipment, and the movement will be liberal from now on.

CARE OF MOLTING FOWLS. Despite falling off in the Egg Supply Liberal Feeding Must Not Be Discussed. When late summer rolls around and the hens begin to cast their feathers and droop around in lay fashion or shuffe sand in some shady nook, then is the time that the egg basket returns with the bottom half covered, for it is the season of rest and



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They Scouted the Suggestion That It Was a Love Match.

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