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MARTHA JANE A DIPLOMAT

Even Stern Mamma Couldn't Deny She Had Obeyed the Strict Letter of the Law.

Martha Jane's sweet tooth had been indulged so much that her mother had issued the decree, "No more candy, and the caterpillar of the box had been relegated to the top shelf. A few days ago it was brought down and indiscreetly apportioned to Martha Jane, for which a fuss spelled disaster, and even a second taste did not satisfy. When her mother saw her about to take a third helping she remarked emphatically:

"Now, don't let me see you take another piece."

Presently Mrs. S—— was called from the room, and when she returned she found her four-year-old daughter in the farthest corner of the couch hastily making way with a nice, plump chocolate cream.

"Martha Jane," said her mother, in her sternest tones, "didn't I tell you not to let me see you take another piece of candy?"

"I know you did, mother," said the little diplomat, "but I took this one while you were gone."

A woman derives more satisfaction from the flattery she suspects than from what she is sure of.

Good for Business.

"Why is your landlady so smiling?"

"She heard the boarders were going on a hunger strike."

Cuticura Soothes Itching Scalp

On retiring gently rub spots of dandruff and itching with Cuticura Ointment. Next morning shampoo with Cuticura Soap and hot water. Make them your every-day toilet preparations and have a clear skin and soft, white hands.—Adv.

"SLANG" ROOT OF LANGUAGE

Idiom of Today in Correct Usage Tomorrow, Declares University Professor of English.

That the slang and idioms of today will be correct English tomorrow is the opinion of Prof. H. Glicksman of the English department, University of Wisconsin.

"Our language is made up of what was once slang, idiom, colloquialism and jargon," he said lately, and warned that the most deplorable feature about slang was its tendency to produce mental slovenliness.

Professor Glicksman then referred to the word "mob" as slang of 250 years ago and subsequently denounced in the Spectator by Addison.

"It is an abbreviation of the word 'mobile.' Even so the word 'pep' is vital and virile and will survive with the word 'snappy.' But to gain recognition slang must be free from vulgarity, and obscenity," said Professor Glicksman.

"The term 'How do you get that way?' is condemned because it is meaningless, but the term 'he has a pull' is approved as it is the opposite of 'pushing,' a word that has forced ahead through its own strength.—Outlook.

A Tried Source.

"Cheap says he will soon have to turn to the sun for power."

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TEST ALL SEED BEFORE SOWING

Quantity and Quality of Corn Harvested Next Fall Depends Greatly on Seed Used.

SHELLING BY HAND IS BEST

Don't Pay Stranger Fancy Prices for Seed Claimed to Give Miraculous Yields—Carefully Reject All Defective Kernels.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The quantity and quality of the corn you will have next fall depend, first on the kind of seed you plant this spring. Perfect culture and the best weather in the world cannot remedy the initial evil if you plant poor seed.

A good seed corn, say specialists of the United States department of agriculture, is one that is adapted to the locality, is strong on the most productive plants of a productive variety, is well matured, and preserved from ripening to planting time in such a way that the full vigor of the seed will be retained.

It should have been selected in the fall from the stalk, but if that was neglected all that can be done now is to obtain a uniform type of seed true to varietal characteristics and that will grow.

Sprouting Not Whole Story.

The more fact that the kernels will sprout in a germinator is not the whole story. Recent experiments have shown that weak sprouts may be indications of disease, that similar seed when planted is likely not to sprout and, if it does, will grow only a few inches or at best produce a barren stalk.

Corn that will come up but that will produce an unprofitable crop is worse than seed which won't grow at all, because it leads the farmer into wasting labor and land on it. Know what your seed will do by selecting it yourself.

Cheap seed corn may prove very dear; the seed corn that produces the best crop usually is the highest priced.

If you must buy seed, pay your neighbor a reasonable price for selected, well-preserved seed of a variety that has made good in a neighboring field; but don't pay a stranger a fancy price for seed claimed to give miraculous yields.

Points on Preparing for Planting Seed

Seed ears should first be nubbed and the kernels from tip and butt should be discarded from the seed supply. The small kernels from the tips are less productive than the other kernels on the ear; the thick rounded kernels from the butts are just as productive as any of the rest, but because of their shape and space they do not plant uniformly when used in a corn planter with other kernels.

Shelling by hand takes more time and labor, but is profitable. The mechanical corn sheller will injure some of the kernels, and thus destroy or reduce the vitality of so many that the crop will suffer. No matter how large the required supply, says the department, it will still pay to shell it painstakingly by hand because the greater the acreage to be planted the greater the ultimate profit.

Each ear should be shelled separately into a shallow pan or box, and any blemished, poorly developed, undersized or abnormal kernel should be rejected.

As the seed from each ear is found desirable it is saved and free from poor kernels and stored safe from mice and moisture. Each ear should retain all or a part of the cob, for the seed kernels are protected by the cob from mice and moisture.

RAG DOLL TESTER IS SIMPLE AND EFFICIENT

The rag-doll method of testing individual ears of corn is one of the simplest and most economical, and is efficient, says the United States department of agriculture.

The tester consists of a strip of cloth, preferably bleached muslin, 16 inches wide and from three to five feet long. The cloth should be marked off into square sections and the squares all numbered. The ears to be tested should also be given corresponding numbers. Six or more kernels should be selected from different parts of each ear and placed in the proper section.

When the tester is filled, fold over each side so that the edges meet in the center, roll up and soak the tester for a few hours in lukewarm water. Drain off the excess water and place the dolls in a warm place for the seed to germinate. They should be covered with a wet cloth to keep them moist, and in about five days the seed should be sufficiently well germinated to show its fitness for planting.

Farmers' Bulletin 948, "The Rag Doll Seed Tester," describes fully this method of testing seed corn. It may be obtained free from the department.

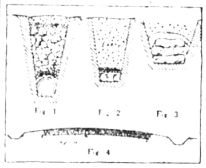

Fig. 1 Fig. 2 Fig. 3

Fig. 4

Subdrains and Cross Section of Road.

A Man With Imagination and Some Experience as a Corn Grower Can See These Things as He Selects, Grades and Tests His Seed.

SOME FARMERS GRIND OWN FLOUR AND MEAL

General Practice of Farmers Is to Buy Breadstuffs.

Occasionally Man Is Found Who Has His Own Little Mill and Does His Own Grinding—Bakers Are Patronized in Some Cases.

Cereals, such as corn, wheat and buckwheat, are raised nearly everywhere throughout the United States. These grains are staple breadstuffs, but the practice of farmers is to buy flour and meal rather than grind or have their own grain ground for home use, says the United States department of agriculture. In certain sections where custom grist-mills are found, farmers still have some grain ground, but this is the exception rather than the rule. Occasionally a farmer is found who has his own little mill and who makes his own flour and meal.

The average farm family consumes about six barrels of flour in a year. In the South the average annual consumption of wheat flour is about 200 pounds per family and in the North about 350 pounds. The consumption of buckwheat and rice is low, except in areas where these crops are generally grown.

Eggs for Hatching.

Hatching eggs requires considerable knowledge and much time, but when eggs and poultry are bringing such prices as at present it is profitable employment.

Winter Egg Producers.

If winter egg production is desired only pullets' eggs should be hred. Hens lay better the laying hen.

Give Gull Exercise.

A 6x10 straw loft in exercise pen to encourage laying.

SUBSTITUTE FOR BEEF SCRAP

Green Cut Bone Is Excellent in Poultry Flock's Diet—Should Be Furnished Fresh.

Green cut bone, when fed fresh, makes an excellent substitute for beef scrap in the poultry flock's diet. It must be purchased in small quantities as it cannot be kept fresh for any length of time, especially in warm weather, and when spoiled may cause severe bowel trouble.

GENERAL FARM NOTES

Bookkeeping pays on the farm.

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Cheap vegetable seeds are often expensive at any price.

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Poor farming tools is not likely to lead to good farming later.

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Found for poultry either has a feeding value away "more to barley."

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Sickly, half-grain-fed mules illnourished are more than it needs phosphate.

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Hotbeds and coldframes give a chance to start vegetables earlier and earn on the weather and insects.

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If head lettuce is shaded slightly in hot weather it is not quite so likely to go to seed. Head lettuce does best in cool, moist weather.

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When you sow sweet clover seed it pays to have it scarified to break the hard outer coating so that it will germinate quickly and uniformly.

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There are six reasons why alfalfa sometimes fails as a crop—neglect to treat the soil with suitable bacteria, lack of drainage, sour soil, poor soil, lack of humus, weeds.

GOOD ROADS

ESSENTIALS OF GOOD ROADS

Rules Outlined for Construction of Store Thoroughfares—Drainage Is Important.

The essential requirements of good stone road construction may be condensed into the following rules:

1. Cut the high places down to a grade not exceeding 1 to 20, fill up the low places so as to have a uniform grade of 1 in 20.

2. Cut the roadway to the earth, carry out surface water, also entirely remove from the bed of the road all vegetable matter, to dispose of surface water. Fig. 1 shows a subdrain of drain tile covered with stone. Fig. 2 shows a subdrain made of logs and Fig. 3 shows one made of field stone. Fig. 4 shows the proper form and solid subgrade of a macadamized road as the surface of the finished road.

3. Secure the maximum degree of stone-crushing strength and a little

PROBLEM OF GOOD HIGHWAYS

Becoming One of Increasing Importance Because of Changes in Methods of Travel.

ESSENTIAL POINTS OF ROADS

Concrete Highways Reduce Pull, Increase the Load and Shorten Time of Delivery.

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Fall River, Mass. — "Three years ago I gave birth to a little girl and after she was born I did not pick up well. I suffered for two months and my condition remained the same. One day one of your little booklets was left at my door and my husband suggested that I try a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I started immediately and I felt better and could eat better after the first bottle, and I continued taking it for some time. Last year I gave birth to a baby boy and had a much easier time as I took the Vegetable Compound for four months before delivery. In getting my health back it seems like I had before, and no dizziness, and in two weeks felt as well as ever." — Mrs. Thomas A. Wilkinson, 502 Columbia Street, Fall River, Mass.

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