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## HINE'S

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—Two years ago Gov. Hoadly's plurality over Judge Foraker was 12,629; majority over all, 1,318. The prohibition vote in Ohio that year was 8,362; the greenback vote 2,937. This year the democrats hope to get the German vote by declaring against prohibition, and expect to get the benefit of a larger prohibition vote than was polled two years ago? But the best laid plans often fail. Mr. Calderwood, the prohibition party manager, has recently been exposing the methods employed in Ohio and he says "the prohibition committee did sell out to the Democrats and he was present and saw the goods delivered." Mr. Calderwood, disgusted with such corruption and hypocrisy, exposes the whole business and warns the Ohio temperance men against a repetition of such outrageous trafficking. Mr. Calderwood was a zealous supporter of St. John until he was a personal witness to the selling out of the prohibitionists to the democratic party leaders; then he quit. The following is Mr. Calderwood's own language: "I shall fight the devil with weapons as strong as his own. I am right. I have the facts. I hold the documents conclusive. The prohibition committee did sell out. The Democratic committee bought it. I was present. I saw the goods delivered.

Three big-gun prohibitionists connected with the scheme have not yet been named. I will make twelve speeches in Ohio next month. I will at each meeting name all the men connected with the affair and challenge their denial.

I claim to be one of the Prohibition lead horses of America. I have not been shot down—merely shot at by bushwhackers in the employ of the Democratic party.

I shall scale the summit, I have truth, I have dates, I have figures, I have names, I have places, I have the whole thing in a collar-box. Before I will allow the principles of Prohibition to be peddled right under my nose like gooseberries in market, I will denounce the act if it costs me my life and the goodwill of every creature that ever knew me.

For nine years I have stood all kinds of abuse, colored with the stigma that shades every crime from the gallows to the chaingang.

This has been my sacrifice for Prohibition. To weaken now; to let political sharks have the benefit of my labors; to say that I was only in fun; to say that I am sorry that I ever fought rum; to say that I wasted nine years of my life; sacrificed the profession of law; spent all the means that I had; visited twenty-nine states; made nearly 1,400 speeches for our cause, would be to admit that I am the biggest hypocrite on earth, and should dwell in hell with my enemies. God forbid that my courage give down as long as there is rum in the land or hypocrites carrying our flag."

—The editor of the Detroit Free Press is a bold-faced plagiarist. In speaking of the Ohio democratic platform he says it is "a straight-forward, business-like document." The author of the words quoted is not here to defend himself but his friends are not all dead. That sentence was used by its author when Washington delivered his first presidential message and it has been sacredly kept as a staple comment on presidential messages ever since, to be used only and exclusively as such and for such purpose. To see the Free Press yank it from its quotation marks and make it serve another purpose than that to which it was dedicated in the early days of the Republic, is enough to make Patrick Henry appear with a stuffed club in the Free Press editorial rooms and clean out the whole gang. "A straight-forward, business-like document" is one of the few choice literary relics saved to the 19th century and before we'll stand by and see it snapped up by the gentleman burglar of the Free Press, or any other press, we'll squeal on the base intruder and hold him up to be scorned down by an indignant people.

—The Ohio democrats did just what was expected of them in renominating Mr. Hoadly for Governor. The convention also endorsed the national administration, pledged the party in favor of licensing the liquor traffic and to oppose "sumptuary legislation in any form," adopted a farmers' wool plank, which is enough to make a horse laugh, and said they were the friends of labor. The fight is again renewed between Hoadly and Foraker and the progress of the campaign will be watched with unusual interest by all the states in the Union. The democrats predict that they will carry the state of Ohio this fall, basing their hope on the German vote which they claim is already pocketed, by reason of the liquor plank in the platform, and the action of the political prohibitionists who are running an independent ticket which of course is merely a democratic aid society in Ohio as in Michigan.

—It is lawful to hunt bears at any season of the year. The bears that have been operating in wheat lately are very numerous and lively and it is a question whether they will go into their holes very soon again. The bulls are fearful lest these bears remain out where they can see the traditional "shadow" all next winter. Every dog has his day;

also, every bull and every bear. The most comfort coming to the bull, however, just now, is the thought embodied in that beautiful song—"In this wheat buy and buy." And there hasn't been much comfort extracted from that lately.

—Ex-Gov. Begole says that the differences between his ex-excellency and Mr. Jerome Eddy, chairman of the democratic state central committee, are more of a personal than a political nature, and he doesn't care to make the matter public. If making the matter public would vindicate Mr. Begole and convict Mr. Eddy we don't believe the matter would be kept strictly confidential. When Mr. Begole gets the "budge" on an enemy he hires a brass band and toots the community out of bed about as hurriedly as any man in Michigan.

—The attention of Geo. William Curtis, M. W., should be called to the chilly fact that First Assistant Postmaster General Stevenson, who is at present holding very close business relations with President Cleveland, has already chopped off the heads of hundreds of postmasters in utter disregard of all civil service rules, and evidently with a profound feeling of contempt for those who pose as civil service reformers. But, we remember, it was promised that the Pharisees should have their reward.

—The Michigan State Democrat, the new democratic organ recently started in Detroit, invites W. G. Thompson of that city to take a back seat and fold his little hands and keep his nose out of the appointment business. This is asking a good deal of W. G., who holds in his hand the entire vote of the Independent party of the state of Michigan.

—The democrats of Iowa, in state convention last week declared in favor of the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law of that state. They declare the law to be "unjust and hostile to temperance." Send for St. John.

—There will be music by the land when congress assembles. And the janitor who does the sweeping will brush up from the floor every-morning enough political hair to stuff a horse collar.

—The Michigan Agricultural College is 28 years old and now, under the presidency of ex-congressman Willits, it stands in the front rank of the agricultural colleges of the country.

—Ben Butler rose to the surface the other day and kept afloat long enough to bestow a blessing upon the administration. Then he dropped his fin and went down again.

—The devil at Flint was a bigger one than the salvation army could handle, therefore the army retreated.

—When Austria said "turn the rascal out" Kelly shouldered his commission and skipped.

### JOURNAL JOTTINGS.

Distrust the man who distrusts all others.

Mrs. Addie Look visited Lowell friends last week.

Dr. L. J. Whitfield of Grand Rapids was in Lowell last week.

J. C. Taylor owns a calf, six weeks old, that weighs 220 lbs.

Home from the northern resorts: Mr. & Mrs. F. King and Mrs. Enos.

The editor of the JOURNAL was called to Detroit yesterday on business.

The harvest party at the rink Friday night was not very largely attended.

Caledonia wants a flouring mill and would raise a good bonus for the right man.

Cora Blake, Grand Rapids, will be tried, charged with putting to death her infant child.

Rev. Geo. Lloyd has gone from So. Boston to Croton, Newaygo county to preach.

F. H. Hosford, city editor of the Detroit Free Press, dropped into our sanctum Wednesday.

Will Winegar of this village and C. C. Winegar of South Boston returned from the west last week.

L. F. Severy is doing well in Kansas, enjoying good health, and likes that part of the moral vineyard.

Fuller, the wretch who swindled Dr. Johnson of Grand Rapids out of \$800, was caught in Colorado.

There were about 2,000 people at the Morrison Lake harvest picnic last Wednesday. Many Lowellites were present.

F. B. Hine goes to Kansas this week to see what kind of a country it is for making millionaires. R. G. Bostwick goes with him.

J. E. Goni has been appointed postmaster at Sand Lake. When they put up a Ghoul for office his opponent doesn't have a ghost of a chance.

A. W. Hine, who purchased H. G. McWilliams news and stationery business has sold the same to the Postoffice company. Will M. Hine is in charge.

A. R. Ransford has changed his office from West's drug store to Hodges & Morse's Buggy Store on the Bridge, where he will be to receive taxes until further notice.

Prof. W. E. Ransom, of Stanton, formerly principal of the Lowell Union School, has accepted a position as teacher in the Cheboygan (Mich.) public school.

We regret to learn that Rev. W. H. Osborn, who has been in poor health for a long time, is gradually failing. He is a man very highly esteemed by all who know him.

A meeting of the Lowell Fishing Club will be held at Col. Dodge's office on Friday evening of this week. Let every member be there at 7:30 o'clock. Important business on hand.

Hugh Hawn's thresher threshed 846 bushels of wheat in one day, moving four times. It took only 1 1/2 cords of wood and twenty barrels of water to drive the machine. Good day's work.

A discovery of a new kind of tobacco has been had that by the smoking or chewing of it one will forget that he owes a dollar on earth. Several of our customers are using it.—Stanton Herald.

Hiel P. Clark Post G. A. R. will attend the Cumberland reunion at Grand Rapids next month about forty strong. They will be reinforced by FitzGerald Post, of Clarksville, to nearly sixty.—Saanuu Local.

A violent wind and rain storm swept over this section early Friday morning. Brown's big tent was riddled, fences were leveled and out of town many trees were blown down. It was the liveliest breeze we have had in a long time.

Rev. C. Oldfield, having resigned as pastor of the Lowell Baptist church, will preach his farewell sermon next Sunday morning. It is his intention to go to Cedar Springs, Mr. Oldfield has been pastor of the Baptist church here five consecutive years.

The Kent county tax sales list will be published in the LOWELL JOURNAL four successive weeks, commencing Sept. 9. Extra copies of the JOURNAL containing this list can be obtained at the JOURNAL office and at some point soon to be designated in Grand Rapids.

A subscription paper has been successfully circulated to procure funds with which to purchase a handsome flag or banner for the Sons of Veterans camp of Lowell. A goodly sum has already been raised and Chas. R. Perry Camp No. 9, S. O. V. will have an emblem to be proud of.

Thursday night the steam whistle at the Lowell Mfg. Co's works proceeded to toot of its own free will and accord and continued to scream for several minutes, bringing scores of half clad people out of their homes to see what the trouble was. It should be cured of that trick.

The daughter of a wealthy railroad president in Indiana recently eloped with her father's horse trainer. The latter won that heat and race; time 2-2. The father of the bride at first appeared a little sulky when he found himself distanced, but finally trotted up under the wire and sponged out his wrath.

We think all must agree that a bridge across Flat river from West Water street to a point near the central school house would be a great convenience to many people, now that the works of the Lowell Mfg. Co. are in operation. A large number of high school pupils would also appreciate the privilege of going that way to and from school.

Marshall Cook, of the Hastings Banner was awakened Friday night by hearing a cracking sound in his room, and upon investigation found that the clothing covering his babe was on fire. The flames were extinguished before the child was injured. The crib was located near the open grate and a spark had fired the wrappings.—Det. Journal.

All sons of soldiers and sailors of the civil war in this vicinity are cordially invited to join C. R. Perry Camp No. 9, Sons of Veterans of Lowell. A special meeting for muster will be held at G. A. R. hall on Thursday eve, Aug. 27. The initiation fee, including badge, has been placed at \$1.75. JOHN D. CRAWFORD, Orderly Sergeant.

After taking seven formal and 296 informal ballots the soldiers' home commissioners broke the dead-lock Saturday by voting four to two in favor of Grand Rapids. This settles the matter. The soldiers' home will be located in Grand Rapids and the general verdict is—"That's right." The board will soon make a choice of the several sites offered by the city.

Jud. Bills and Harvey Spencer, charged with robbery, were examined before Justice Saunders of Grand Rapids Friday. Bills was held for trial and Spencer was discharged. In default of \$500 bail Bills was committed to jail until the next term of the circuit court. It is generally believed that he will go to work for the State very soon; after his trial comes off.

Merchants and business men do not generally appreciate the fact that the columns of a paper constitute the stock in trade, of a publisher; that it costs money for every line of matter; that a line of space is just like so much merchandise; that it means a pound of sugar, or a yard of calico, or a pound of nails; that the sale of these lines of type earn the bread and meat of the editor's table just as the sale of the sugar and calico and nails earns the bread and meat for the merchant's family. Most any man can ask an editor for an inch or two of space in his locals, but it takes a good deal of check to step into a merchant's store and ask him for fifty cents, or a dollar's worth of tea.—Gd. Traverse Herald.

"Home, Home, Sweet Home, There is no place like home."

And therefore I have decided to stay at Home and keep right on

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IN TOWN, and am going to sell them for Spot Cash

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MAYBE YOU DON'T LIKE TO BE TEASED BUT THIS IS TO NOTIFY YOU THAT I HAVE THE FINEST LOT OF FIRST PICKING TEAS FOR 50 CTS. PER POUND THAT YOU EVER PUT TO STEEP.

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TRY MY NEW PACKED CALIFORNIA CANNED GOODS.

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I PAY FOR BUTTER ACCORDING TO ITS QUALITY!

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I defy competition on all first-class GROCERIES.

A. B. JOHNSON.

MARKS,

THE CLOTHIER,

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Also, for sale

## Sheet Music

and

## Music Books,

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The Life is the Blood—Prevent Disease—

Surgery the Last Resort—A Telling Lesson—

Here is the fact for you to think over, viz: Medical science proves that diseases, in matters how great a variety they seem to have, proceed from comparatively few causes. It is for this reason that some single medicine relieves or cures so wide a range of complaints—some of them appearing almost directly opposite in their nature. When a medical preparation acts at once upon the digestive and urinary organs, and also purifies the blood, the best of medicines subject to its control is astonishing. But, while many things are said to possess this power, those which actually do exert it are very rare.

It is conceded that DR. KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY, of Rondout, N. Y., is the most effective preparation now in use for all diseases arising from a foul or impure state of the circulation. Hence it is more than likely that if the writer of the following letter had habitually taken "Favorite Remedy" ten years ago, he would never have suffered from Cancer.

Plymouth, Mass., March 22, 1884.

Dear Sir:—About six years ago I was obliged to resort to external treatment for the removal of a cancerous growth on my lip. On my return home, I became sensible that my blood needed a thorough cleansing. My whole system, too, required toning up. While waiting about for the best medicine to do this, your "FAVORITE REMEDY" was so highly commended in my hearing that I resolved to try it. I did so, and the result surprised me, it was effected so quickly and completely. I soon got over the depression produced by the operation, and since, the "Favorite Remedy," which I have continued to take in small doses, has kept me in such health and strength as I never had before, nor expected to have. It is the best blood purifier in the world, I am sure of that.

MATTHEW FARRILL.

In all cases when a consultation is deemed desirable, address—Dr. David Kennedy, Rondout, N. Y. But if you have no doubt, send for "FAVORITE REMEDY" as a household friend.

## MALARIA.

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## FAVORITE REMEDY.

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Lowell, Mich., August 26, 1885.

## Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee RAILWAY

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Through tickets to all principal points East for sale at the Company's office, Lowell, Mich. Nos. 7 and 10 run daily; other trains daily, Sunday excepted.

F. O. TAPP, Lowell Agent. W. E. DAVIS, Ass't. Gen. Pass. Ag't, Chicago, Ill.

## LOCAL NEWS.

Baptist social at M. C. Barber's tonight.

To Mrs. Will Denick last Tuesday, a boy, 94 lbs.

To Mrs. Eugene Cable last Wednesday a boy, 81 lbs.

At E. F. Denny's Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Coffee of Grand Rapids.

Mrs. C. T. Wooding has been quite seriously ill since her return from the south.

Miss Nettie Stevens returned from Kalamazoo Saturday, where she has been visiting friends.

Speaking of hard times an exchange says "the worst is over." That's the worst of it—it is all over the country.

John Damm of Grand Rapids was fined \$10 and costs for assaulting a neighbor. Any editor punning this item will be fined \$100 and costs.

Mrs. C. E. Bush received a dispatch Monday from Denver, announcing the death of Miss Hattie Martin which occurred last Saturday. This sad news will bring sorrow to many hearts in Lowell, where Hattie was beloved by many friends.

At C. M. Devendorf's a few days ago was a remarkable gathering of several generations. The youngest, Fred Devendorf's child, was there surrounded by five grandmothers (three of them great grandmothers) one great grandfather, two great aunts, one aunt, the mother, and several friends, not relatives, who would like to steal the baby.

The JOURNAL is glad to hear that the boys who went from here to Brown county, Dakota, are having good crops this year and that most of the "pilgrims" are doing finely. A few have suffered from bad winds and other causes but generally speaking the crops out there this season are big—some of them immense. May the boys continue to prosper and be happy.

Wholesale paper houses in Detroit and elsewhere are soliciting orders for printed stationery from merchants and other business men in town where local papers are printed. This is not a new thing, as it has been carried on to a greater or lesser extent for some time past, but of late they have almost made a specialty of it. It is absolutely the duty of every newspaper man in the state of Michigan to withhold his patronage from houses of this description.—Pewee's Plaindealer.

The JOURNAL is informed that a couple from Downe, while driving home from the Rink party here early Friday morning, were overtaken by the furious storm as they were passing through Barkley hollow, and horse, buggy and occupants were thrown down a very high and steep embankment. No serious damage was done. By letting down a few fences the adventurers managed to get out and reach home about 6 a. m.

Last Thursday a party from Grand Rapids and Lowell enjoyed a day's visit at E. L. Bennett's in Vergennes, being present by invitation of Miss Emma Cole who is making that pleasant place her home during vacation. The day was delightfully spent, as the writer can testify. The enjoyment of the visitors was heightened considerably by the appearance of a well known, indefatigable look agent, who, after answering a few thousand pertinent and in-ditto questions—time 3 hours—went away without taking an order. The b. a. then started for Ada to wind himself up for the morrow.

The Lowell Mfg. Co. starts off with a prospect of having work enough to keep a good many hands employed. The representative of the Detroit Evening Journal, who was here last week, says of it:

The Lowell manufacturing company is putting in operation five new machines which saw around the log. This complicated machine causes the log to roll against a saw with curiously shaped teeth, which plays lengthwise of the grain, like a shuttle, while streams of boiling water from a perforated pipe, fall upon the log. Basswood boards can be cut one-half inch thick, four feet, eight inches long and 100 feet wide. The product of this machine will be dried and shipped in panels about the size of a bed quilt. These are used in the manufacture of swell body cutters and for many other purposes. The above named company is erecting extensive shops.

Mrs. S. A. C. Plummer of Lansing, state installing officer, came to Lowell last Wednesday and instituted "Joseph Wilson Relief Corps, No. 49," installing the officers in the evening. (The names of the officers appeared in a previous number of the JOURNAL.) The G. A. R. hall was well filled with ladies and gentlemen who were much pleased to see the work of installation, which was admirably done by Mrs. Plummer and her chosen assistants. The Relief Corps starts off with a good membership and good prospects. As an adjunct to Joseph Wilson Post, No. 87, G. A. R. the Corps was committed by Mrs. Plummer to Post Commander Hicks who received the same with open arms (metaphorically), tendering his acknowledgement in a neat little speech. It was a very pleasant affair.

## "What I Know About Farming."

Speech of Rev. J. T. Husted at the Morrison Lake Picnic.

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen.

The subject I have chosen is one of interest to all. Knowledge is power, but its power for good depends upon its right use. Knowledge may be buried talent. It can be a great blessing. Wisdom is the right use of knowledge; but what is knowledge? That of which we are sure; that which the mind has acquired; that which we have learned. Education is the drawing of the mind out, or teaching it how to use its own powers, while knowledge is what the mind receives. We have more than one method of learning facts. We learn by reading, by suffering, by doing.

I use these words to you as the wisest and broadest application. We learn also through the senses. The outer world becomes a positive fact to the mind, through the senses. But the great methods of acquiring knowledge are study, experience and observation.

My knowledge of farming has been gained from experience and observation. The experience necessarily short; the observation extending over twenty-five years and in a number of places; and though not as close as some, yet close enough for practical purposes. My experiences are briefly told: When a boy 14 years of age I began working on a farm at \$3 per month and board. My board was the largest part of my wages, the easiest for me to collect and the hardest for the farmer to pay. I don't know what I did that was valuable to the farmer, and I don't know what I did with the same question. But I stayed my time out; that is, till he told me he did not need me any longer. I believed what he said and went home. I had not learned how much money I had. But I had learned how to clean and feed horses and calves and pigs, and do chores generally. I learned one lesson that I have never forgotten—that a boy who wishes to be a farmer must know how to churn! I almost felt tired yet, watching for butter. I seldom eat butter. I know what costs the producer. My next lesson in farming was putting to use what I had learned about horses. I worked in a livery stable for a while, taking care of and driving and riding horses, but I never learned how to guess at the age of a horse by looking at its teeth, any more than I could tell a girl's age by looking at her teeth—when she laid them on the table.

When I was in my 16th year I left my native land, Canada, and came to this state and began farming on a larger scale. That is, we began in the woods, chopping, logging and clearing the farm to plant where it was and what it was. My first ploughing was done on stumpy ground with a yoke of oxen at one end of the plow and I at the other, and I often found that we were unequally yoked together. But I was learning how to farm, and do you wonder that I concluded that farming was not my forte? But after ploughing then came the dragging. Did you ever see a drag? A home-made drag? Made like the letter A, with six teeth on each side and one at the point? Well, now, for a boy to study his Sunday school lesson while ploughing with three horses abreast and an iron beam plough. The second day I was ploughing the farmer had gone away. About ten o'clock I found a large stone. I did not find it until after I felt the shock. Did you ever become suddenly acquainted with a large stone while you had the handles of a plough in your hands, and the horses walking at the rate of five miles an hour and you were thinking, deeply thinking, happily thinking—about the girl you most thought about, or when you would be elected pathmaster, President or Justice of the Peace? There you were suddenly awakened—awfully awakened and you whispered out loudly the hurt feelings of your bruised sides. Well, after such a bitter experience I view the remains of myself, and team, and plough. I found the long double tree broken, and I had to carpenter and joiner for a while and with ax and saw I soon repaired the breakage and in half an hour was turning over the soil, whistling the tune "Rock Me to Sleep, Mother, Rock Me to Sleep." But the master was well pleased with my work and I after supper I slept well. My experience in farming covered a period of about six years. My wages never large, I always worked cheap and do yet. My work was acceptable for I always did my best, as I do now, and my experience was invaluable although some of it was dear bought, and hard fetched.

But I know that farming is HARD WORK.

It is not the hardest work. The farmers of Michigan have an easier life than the doctors, lawyers, merchants, editors or preachers. It is true that farmers do more physical work, but that is not so exhausting as their mental work. Then they have greater variety, and change always gives rest. They have at least four months out of a year which can be given to rest. They sleep better and more hours than any other class. Hence few farmers die of nervous exhaustion. Their work gives them strength and firmness of muscle. But mental overwork wears out the nerve centers and breaks down the physical system before man reaches his allotted days.

HEALTHY WORK.

That farming is healthy work is an admitted fact by everybody. Of course a farmer can over do, but his time for repairing the wastes is so abundant that he can stand more overwork than any other class. Children raised on a farm are the healthiest.

PROFITABLE WORK.

A good farm well worked with a fair degree of economy will make a man wealthy. While a poor farm well worked will ensure a comfortable living. There are more farmers who retire from work in comfortable circumstances, than any other class. A farmer with a reasonable number of acres of land—and out of debt—is the most independent man we have. A farm well worked brings its sure and lasting returns. There is no class of men who set such good tables as farmers. The comfort of every farmer would look upon his work. Then the mental profit is not small. If the winter hours are given to reading the farmer can be as well informed as any man. I knew three very successful farmers who were self-educated men. One read Clark's Commentary on the Bible all through in a few years by reading an hour and a half each day. Another was well versed in all the branches of science, and was acquainted with all the great poets, from Homer to Will Carleton. The other was a thorough historian and his opinions were sought and revered by some of the wisest men in the state.

HONORABLE WORK.

Some people are very much prejudiced against hard work of any kind, so they look upon tilling the soil as very disgraceful. But they are the blanks and blot on God's fair earth. I wish every farmer would look upon his work as a profession, and just as much a bus-

ness as any in the world; hence to be done on business principles, and in a business like manner. You need make no apology for your sunburnt hands, or sun-tanned face. They are the signs of your profession. Wear them proudly and they will be diplomas worth more to you and to the world than any others which grace the walls of mansions. The girl who turns up her nose at a young man because he is a farmer or farmer's son—well, the Good Lord pity the poor farmer who has to wear his nose up to you and to the world than any others which grace the walls of mansions. I have married two and know.

"Where'er the wide old kitchen hearth Sends up its smoky curls,  
Who will not thank the kindly earth  
And bless our farmer girls?"

A LITTLE ADVICE.

Open your farm if possible. Buy it if you have to run in debt for it and don't have to pay too much. Better have a poor farm yours than a good one for some one else. Better a new farm paid for than an old one heavily mortgaged.

THE HOUSE.

Build for comfort. Build to please your wife, she has good taste; if you doubt it look in the glass, but don't tell her. Build within your means if you have means to build. Build what you need, not for show. Paint the house on the outside, the color you like—but paint it. But the inside of your house should be planned with care. The kitchen should be large and warm; a wood box handy, a cistern with a good easy pump in it. Paint the floor and have it on a level with the other rooms. Have a woodshed attached to the kitchen and a good well and easy pump near the house. Get good, substantial, plain furniture. Do not get heavy chairs and tables for your wife to lift alone.

YOUR WORK.

Should be neatly and well done. Keep your fences up and yards clean. Make your farm look as though some one lived there. It will pay to work in a workman-like manner. Do not try to do everything at once. Finish one job before you begin another, keep your work up, and it will never keep you down. Never speculate, that is, do not get wild notions as to grain or stocks, or patent rights. It will pay to work in a workman-like manner. Do not try to do everything at once. Finish one job before you begin another, keep your work up, and it will never keep you down. Never speculate, that is, do not get wild notions as to grain or stocks, or patent rights. It will pay to work in a workman-like manner. Do not try to do everything at once. Finish one job before you begin another, keep your work up, and it will never keep you down. Never speculate, that is, do not get wild notions as to grain or stocks, or patent rights. It will pay to work in a workman-like manner. 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