

HOME AND THE FARM.

A DEPARTMENT MADE UP FOR OUR RURAL FRIENDS.

THE FARM.

Painting farm buildings. WHEN the winter is a good time for the farmer to paint his own buildings.

learn. In extreme cold weather, paint the cold sides of a building in the middle of the day...

healthy and vigorous with one application of this wash.

Again, mice and rabbits will not gnaw where this wash is used. Apply in the trees, and to the autumn as a preventive against mice and rabbits.



GEMINATE LOWELL APPLE.

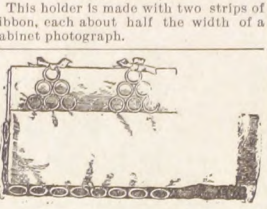
Carolina. The owner of the tree stated that one particular tree invariably produces this form while his other trees of the same variety never do.

vines may be trained. There are so many vines well suited for this purpose that it is a mere matter of fancy which to select.

Madeira vine and smilax are among the easily cared for and rapidly growing vines and are always graceful and desirable.

THE HOUSEHOLD.

The Part of Prudence. People with weak lungs should keep the back, between the shoulder blades, well protected, as well as the chest.



CABINET PHOTOGRAPH HOLDER.

The rings are the brass rings covered with silk. The cut shows the arrangement. The row upon the edge fixes the thickness of the holder when filled with photographs.

Hints for Nurses. Hot food and drink for the sick should be hot—not lukewarm.

Hints to Housekeepers. To REMOVE lime from an iron pot wash in strong vinegar.

THE APRIARY.

Extracted Honey as an Article of Food. In a prize essay written for the American Bee Journal, by A. N. Clark, upon extracted honey, are these words: To obtain the best quality, extract from clean combs, from the supers, and not from the brood-chamber.

As regards ripening, basswood honey may be extracted before the cells are completely capped, if immediately placed in a hot, airy room. By this method of evaporation it loses some of its strong, and to many, disagreeable flavor.

DANGEROUS CLASSES.

TALMAGE FINDS THEM AMONG THE RICH AND THE POOR.

The Man of Wealth and Leisure Who "Kills Time in Doing Nothing—At the Other Extreme Are the Criminal Poor, the Desperate, the Despairing.

Dr. Talmage, in continuation of the course of sermons on "The Ten Plagues of the Cities," took for his text Exodus vii, 20, "All the waters that were in the river were turned to blood."

Among all the Egyptian plagues none could have been worse than this. The Nile is the wealth of Egypt. Its fish and food, its waters the frigitation of garden and fields. Its condition decides the prosperity in the doom of the empire.

The annual police reports of these cities as I examine them are to me more suggestive than Dante's Inferno, and all Christian people as well as reformers must write a plea to a present and a future Europe, on the subject of "Crime"

There are in this cluster of cities—New York, Jersey City, and Brooklyn—four thousand people whose entire business in life is to commit crime.

Added to these professional criminals, American and foreign, there are a large class of men who are more or less industrious in one way or another.

Again, in your effort to arrest this plague of crime you need to consider untrustworthy officials. "Woe unto thee, O land, when thy king is a child, and thy princes drink in the morning."

Character, like water, gets putrid if it stands still too long. Who can wonder that in this world, where there is so much to do, and all the hosts of earth are in the conflict and angels are flying and God is at work and the universe is a-quake with the marching and counter-marching, that God lets His indignation fall upon a man who chooses idleness?

The secretary of one of the benevolent societies of New York said he had, in fifteen years of age had spent three years of his life in prison, and he said to the laud, "What have they done for you to make you better?"

The police stations of this cluster of cities furnish annually between two and three hundred thousand lodgings. For the most part these two and three hundred thousand lodgings are furnished to able-bodied men and women—people as you would work as you and I are. When they are received no longer at the police station because they are "repeaters" they go to some other station, and so they keep moving around.

I propose this for them: On one side of them put some healthy work; on the other side some healthy recreation.

Some of the city jails are the best places I know of to manufacture foot-pads, vagabonds and cutthroats. Yale college is not so well calculated to make scholars, nor Harvard so well to make preachers.

We want men like John Howard and Sir William Blackstone, and women like Elizabeth Fry, to do for the prisons of the United States what those people did in other days for the prisons of England.

In a few years it was estimated that there were fifty millions of public treasure squandered. In those times the clerk or the porter, the watchman, or his lawyer would wink for him, and the question was decided for the defendant.

Again, in your effort to arrest this plague of crime you need to consider the idle population. Of course I do not refer to the people who are getting their education in the street, but to the people who are idle.

A Human "Er." It is said that Daniel used to learn his best lessons by heart, and then he would hesitate occasionally and "er-er," as though deliberating a choice of words.