

whole of this time, a practical, common-sense, observing and persevering farmer, walking over and watching his needy soil on the shores of Seneca Lake, has been hauling out his stable manure in the fall and early winter, and applying it as a top dressing at that time, and found this invariably to give satisfactory results—no waste being apparent, no special expense incurred, and very decided effects being produced always upon the crop of the next season. He has published, time and again, the character of his experiments, and the nature of their results, a few, repeating the experiments, have found the identical results, and made the same known: still the old discussion goes on—still farmers are every month asking what is the best manure and when the best time to apply stable manure—and still the agricultural press is burdened with replies, often crude, confused, contradictory, and manifestly the dicta of theory rather than of practice.

Now, why can't we, for the time being, take something as solid upon this subject, and go to work like men of sense—not stand disputing like children? If John Johnson spreads his stable manure over his land in the months of October and November, and leaves it upon the surface until plowing time in the spring, and then finds that all the best of it has disappeared—not going up into the air, but sinking down into the earth, just where it is wanted—and if John Johnson finds this system judicious, economical, profitable—enriching his lands and increasing his crops—why, in the name of common sense, cannot you, and I, and all of us, adopt the same practice, and be content, at least for the time being, until something better is developed, with the same result?

So—If R. J. Swan can take a cold, clayey farm, which can be counted upon for only from ten to fifteen bushels of wheat per acre, and by manuring it in the same way, and spending eighteen dollars per acre in under draining it, can make it yield thereafter from twenty-five to thirty-five bushels per acre, why cannot any of us do the same thing?—little by little, if necessary, feeling and paying our way as we go.—And if a Kentucky farmer can get forty-five per cent. more corn than his neighbors, of a dry season, by plowing deeper than they—and if a New York farmer can afford to plow his summer fallow four times, and stir it with the cultivator twice, better than he could afford to plow it once and harrow it once, as most of us do out here, why cannot we get into similar practices, and make them pay as well?

My good friends, simply because we want!—We drive out the light, that is let in upon us; we take no heed of the "floating fact" which that intelligent and faithful servant, the agricultural press, brings weekly or monthly into our homes—but go in debt for broad acres, which we soon rob of their fertility, and talk loud of science, while we discard its very foundations.

But notwithstanding all this, there are encouraging evidences of progress in our agricultural methods, as well as our agricultural machinery. Those who are wide awake are somewhat scattered, it is true—but they get together often enough to strengthen each other, and impart material encouragement—and, with the aid of the press, the County Society and the Annual Fair, we shall soon behold as many falling into their ranks, and adopting the improved methods of culture, as are now watching their movements and following them in the purchase and use of improved implements and machinery.

"A good time is coming" for the tiller of the soil, I do verily believe. He must wait a little longer, and it will be here. But waiting only will not bring it. The lesson is as plain as the sun at noon-day, that he must wait and work. In the sweat of thy brow shalt thou eat bread." This was the mandate of Omnipotence when Earth was young. It has not ceased yet to be the condition of human success. Nor will it ever cease. But we groined in the dirt when we should stand upright; we creep like helpless children, when we should walk erect. If God had said to the seed of the woman, instead of to the serpent who tempted her, "Thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life!" we could hardly sink lower than we often do, in ignorance, and sin, and crime, and whatever else befalls and enthralls.

But a better time is coming, if we will let it come. "Educated labor" is not now the mere catchword of a politician. It is becoming a real entity—a practical fact—a breathing embodiment and living presence upon the soil. With it, and the improved methods of culture that are beginning to take hold of men's minds more than formerly, and the general use of those wonderful agricultural machines that are fast overspreading the land, and, as important as either, the due encouragement of the agricultural press, there is every reason to hope and believe that the progressive tendencies and real advancement of the present day, in all that pertains to the cultivation of the soil, will culminate in an era in which the heavy and exhausting burdens of the farmer will be materially lightened, and his gains greatly increased.

But let him not believe or hope that his labors, in the main, are to cease. "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto dust." This law is omnipotent and eternal. Its abrogation is not to be expected—it ought not to be desired. The dignity of labor is a worn out theme. The truth is, there is nothing of it—never was, as the matter is presented by flowery orators, and never can be. But labor is robust, honest, necessary, useful and must be respected everywhere and at all times, so soon as men and women become as good and wise as I believe they are destined to become, and close with what an American poet (Mrs. Osgood), has so judiciously said upon this theme:

Labor is rest—from the sorrows that greet us;  
Rest from all petty vexations that meet us;  
Rest from sin's promptings that ever entreat us;  
Rest from world's cares that lure us to flight;  
Work—and pure pleasures shall wait on the pillow;  
Work—and thou shalt rise above care's evening willow;  
Do not waste weary "heath" Woo's weeping willow;  
Work with a stout heart and resolute will!

Drop not, though shame, sin, and anguish are round thee!  
Bravely fling off the gold chain that binds bound thee!  
Look to you pure hearts, and smiling beyond you!  
Best not content to thy darkness—a cloud!  
Work—for some good, be it ever so slowly;  
Cherish some flower, be it ever so lowly;  
Labor—all labor is noble and holy;  
Let thy great deeds be thy prayer to thy God.

Labor is life—"tis the still water falleth;  
Idleness ever deepens, bewails;  
Keep the watch wound for the dark restlessness!  
Flowers drop and die in the walled garden;  
Labor is glory—the flying cloud lightens;  
Only the waving wheat changes and brightens;  
Idle hearts only the dark future brighten;  
Play the sweet keys, wouldst thou keep them in tune!

## SEVENTH MARION COUNTY AGRICULTURAL FAIR.

September 22, 23, 24, 1858.

### PREMIUMS AWARDED.

CLASS A—NO. 1—HORSES.	
Best stallion for all work, C. W. Huston.	\$10 00
Second best, John Jennings.	5 00
Best light draught stallion, W. H. Turner.	10 00
Best brood mare for all work, L. George.	10 00
Second best, Abraham Eppler.	5 00
Best mare or gelding for all work, Wood & Foundry.	10 00
Second best, W. C. Hartsock.	5 00
Best mare or gelding for saddle, Wood & Foundry.	10 00
Second best, Enoch Worman.	5 00
Best pair light draught horses, Wood & Foundry.	5 00
Second best, Mills & Mansur.	3 00
Best light draught mare or gelding, Mansur & Wright.	5 00
Second best, Edward Lawrence.	3 00
Best and fastest pacing mare or gelding, Enoch Worman.	10 00
Second best, T. P. Mills.	5 00
Best and fastest trotting mare or gelding, W. P. Noble.	10 00
Second best, Horace Fletcher.	5 00
Best two-year old horse colt, J. Jennings.	3 00
Second best, Tabitha Bodkin.	2 00
Best two-year old mare colt, S. H. Anderson.	3 00
Second best, R. R. Hammond.	2 00
Best yearling mare colt, J. E. Foundry.	2 00
Second best, Jacob Hasselman.	Transactions.
Best sucking colt, John McMahon.	2 00
Second best, Lewis George.	Trans.
CLASS A—NO. 2—MULES.	
Best jack, Stephen H. Anderson.	5 00
Best juvenile, Samuel Johnson.	3 00
Best mule, Stephen H. Anderson.	5 00

Second best, Stoughton A. Fletcher, jr.	3 00
Best yearling mule, Geo. Hollingsworth.	4 00
Second best, John Richardson.	2 00
Best sucking mule, S. H. Anderson.	Trans.
Second best, Jesse Wright.	2 00
Best pair match mules, S. A. Fletcher, jr.	5 00
Second best, Stephen H. Anderson.	3 00

CLASS B—CATTLE.	
Best bull over three years, William Davis.	10 00
Best two-year old bull, Daniel Moore.	8 00
Second best, Fielding Beeler.	5 00
Best yearling bull, Thos. Jordan.	5 00
Second best, V. M. Miller.	3 00
Best bull calf, Delavan Wilkins.	4 00
Second best, David George.	3 00
Best cow for all purposes, V. M. Miller.	8 00
Second best, David George.	5 00
Best cow for dairy, David George.	5 00
Second best, David George.	4 00
Best cow, steer or heifer for fattening purposes, Geo. Bruce.	5 00
Second best, George Bruce.	4 00
Best two-year old heifer, John McMahon.	5 00
Second best, Fielding Beeler.	3 00
Best yearling heifer, J. A. Merryman.	4 00
Second best, Ezekiel Hinkon.	3 00
Best heifer calf, J. M. Phipps.	3 00
Second best, David George.	2 00
Best pair of steers three years old or over, Geo. Bruce.	8 00
Best pair yearling steers, David George.	3 00
Second best, Isaiah Hornaday.	3 00
Best pair of steer calves, Wm. Davis.	3 00
Second best, Thos. Jordan.	2 00
Best yoke of oxen over three years old, Geo. Hollingsworth.	5 00
Second best, Matthias Dawson.	3 00

CLASS C—SHEEP.	
Best fine woolled buck, Jas. Griswold.	5 00
Second best, Fielding Beeler.	3 00
Best fine woolled ewe, James Griswold.	5 00
Second best, Fielding Beeler.	3 00
Best long woolled buck, David George.	5 00
Second best, David George.	3 00
Best long woolled ewe, David George.	5 00
Second best, Fielding Beeler.	3 00
Best middle woolled buck, David George.	5 00
Second best, Fielding Beeler.	2 00
Best middle woolled ewe, Fielding Beeler.	5 00
Best five fine woolled sheep, James Griswold.	5 00
Second best, Fielding Beeler.	3 00
Best five middle woolled sheep, F. Beeler.	5 00
Second best, Wm. McCaw.	5 00
Best two fat sheep, David George.	5 00
Second best, Fielding Beeler.	3 00

CLASS D—SWINE.	
Best boar over twelve old, Z. White.	8 00
Second best, J. D. Loudon.	5 00
Best boar twelve months old or under, O. Ritchey.	8 00
Second best, David Fisher.	5 00
Best breeding sow over eighteen months old, R. Ritchey.	8 00
Second best, John Carlisle.	5 00
Best breeding sow eighteen months or under, Wm. McCaw.	5 00
Second best, John Carlisle.	3 00
Best sow and pigs, J. W. Bowles.	8 00
Second best, Wm. McCaw.	5 00
[J. Carlisle took the first premium for sow and pigs, but was ruled out, as his pigs were too old for this class.]	

CLASS E—SWEETSTARKS.	
Stallion, C. W. Huston.	10 00
Mare, S. H. Anderson.	10 00
Bull, Wm. R. Kise.	10 00
Cow, V. M. Miller.	10 00
Buck, David George.	10 00
Ewe, David George.	10 00
Boar, John Carlisle.	10 00
Sow, W. C. Hartsock.	10 00

CLASS F—GRAIN, &c.	
Best acre of wheat, George Woodfill.	5 00
Best five acres of wheat, A. Vines.	10 00
Best one-half bushel white wheat, F. Beeler.	2 00
Second best, S. R. Woodfill.	Trans.
Best one-half bushel red wheat, M. Dawson.	2 00
Second best, M. Dawson.	Trans.
Best three acres rye, John McMahon.	3 00
Best pumpkins, J. J. Johnson.	2 00
Second best, John Gibbons.	Trans.
Best twelve ears of Indian Corn, V. M. Miller.	2 00
Second best, Powell Howland.	1 00
Best twelve stalks of Chinese sugar-cane, M. Williams.	2 00
Second best, Zadock Tomlinson.	Trans.
Best selection of seed corn, Z. Tomlinson.	5 00
Second best, F. Beeler.	2 00
Best peck of cloverseed, P. S. Birkenmeyer.	1 00
Best peck of timothy seed, A. J. Pope.	1 00
Best peck of blue grass seed, P. S. Birkenmeyer.	Trans.
Best peck orchard grass seed, P. S. Birkenmeyer.	Trans.

CLASS F—NO. 1.	
Five varieties of winter apples, P. Howland.	5 00
Second best, George M. Beeler.	3 00
Best general selection of apples, G. M. Beeler.	5 00
Best general selection of pears, P. Howland.	5 00
Best general selection of peaches, A. Sellers.	3 00
Best general selection of grapes, P. Howland.	3 00
Second best, Andrew Wallace.	2 00
Best quinces, John Carlisle.	2 00
Best watermelons, George Woodfill.	2 00
Second best, John Chew.	Trans.
Best muskmelons, T. A. Morris.	2 00
Second best, J. W. Whitledge.	Trans.
Best specimens of garden productions generally, Peyton Bristow.	5 00
Second best, George Woodfill.	3 00

CLASS F—NO. 2.	
Best beets, George Woodfill.	1 00
Best Irish potatoes, S. R. Woodfill.	1 00
Best turnips, S. R. Woodfill.	1 00
Best sweet potatoes, G. Woodfill.	1 00
Best onions, W. J. Johnson.	1 00
Best carrots, Jacob Loucks.	1 00
Best parsnips, W. J. Johnson.	1 00
Best tomatoes, Zadock Tomlinson.	1 00
Best cabbage, Samuel Johnson.	1 00
Best squashes, George Woodfill.	1 00
Best egg plants, Zadock Tomlinson.	1 00

CLASS G—FARM IMPLEMENTS.	
Best plow for general use, Rapp & Dawson.	5 00
Best subsoil plow, Rapp & Dawson.	5 00
Best harrow, James Griswold.	4 00
Cultivator, Rapp & Dawson.	4 00
Corn plow, Rapp & Dawson.	3 00
Fanning mill, A. J. Pope.	4 00
Farm wagon, Jeremiah Guion.	10 00
Ox cart, Jas. Griswold.	3 00
Ox yoke, James Griswold.	2 00
Cornsheller, P. S. Birkenmeyer.	1 00
Roller, James Griswold.	1 00

CLASS I—CARRIAGES.	
Best two horse carriage, Hiram R. Gaston.	1 00
Best carriage or buggy for single horse, H. R. Gaston.	5 00
Best spring wagon, H. R. Gaston.	5 00
Best sofa, John Ott.	3 00
Best dining or breakfast table, John Ott.	3 00
Best bedstead, John Ott.	2 00
Best parlor chairs, (rockers included,) Matthew Long.	3 00
Best specimen of book binding, Douglas & Palmer.	5 00

CLASS K—DAIRY PRODUCTS.	
Best ten pounds butter, made prior to July 1, Caroline Kise.	6 00
Best ten pounds butter, made at any time, Mrs. Sellers.	5 00
Second best, H. A. Miller.	3 00
Best cheese, Mrs. P. Howland.	5 00
Second best, Mrs. L. Mayhew.	3 00
Best honey, J. A. Merryman.	3 00
Second best, John Carlisle.	2 00
Best maple molasses, S. R. Woodfill.	3 00
Second best, Geo. Woodfill.	2 00
Best Chinese sugar-cane molasses, G. M. Beeler.	3 00
Second best, T. A. Morris.	2 00

CLASS L—NO. 2.	
Best yeast bread by Miss under 16, Miss E. Beeler.	2 00
Second best, Miss Georgiana Hilden.	1 00
Best salt-rising bread, Miss M. E. Johnson.	2 00
Second best, Miss Rachel Rubush.	1 00
Best fruit cake, Miss Georgiana Hilden.	2 00

Best poundcake, Miss R. Rubush.	2 00
Second best, Miss M. J. Hendricks.	1 00
Best sponge-cake, Miss M. A. Hilden.	2 00
Best general variety of bread and cake, Miss G. Hilden.	5 00
Second best, Miss M. A. Hilden.	3 00
Best loaf of bread by lady of any age, Mrs. E. A. Beeler.	2 00
Second best, Mrs. J. Hendricks.	1 00
Best salt-rising bread, Mrs. S. Guion.	2 00
Second best, America Dawson.	1 00
Best collection of jellies, Mrs. John Bradshaw.	4 00
Second best, Mrs. J. T. Francis.	2 00
Best collection of preserves, Nancy Loucks.	4 00
Second best, Mrs. J. T. Francis.	3 00
Best collection canned fruits, Mrs. N. Loucks.	4 00
Best collection of pickles, Mrs. P. Howland.	4 00
Second best, Mrs. John Bradshaw.	2 00

CLASS M—NEEDLEWORK.	
Best quilt other than silk, Mrs. V. Miller.	5 00
Second best, Anna Wheeler.	5 00
Best worked collar, Anna Doughty.	2 00
Best silk bonnet, J. W. Copeland.	2 00
Second best, Judith Brown.	1 00
Best child's hat, J. W. Copeland.	1 00
Best child's dress cap, Mrs. John Bradshaw.	1 00
Best chair tidy, Mary Merryman.	1 00
Second best, Miss Sarah Johnson.	Book.
Best specimen men's shirts, Matilda Anderson.	1 00
Needlework on child's dress, Mrs. H. T. Fletcher.	2 00
Specimen silk embroidery, Mrs. H. T. Fletcher.	2 00
Embroidered skirt, Anna Doughty.	2 00
Worsted work, Mrs. C. Fletcher, jr.	2 00
Wool carpet, Samuel Parrott.	4 00
Heath-rug, Martha Eaglesfield.	1 00
Rag carpet, Samuel Parrott.	2 00
Second best, Pamela Loucks.	1 00
Best ten yards flannel, Sarah Dawson.	4 00
Second best, George Hollingsworth.	2 00
Best linen table cloth, Mrs. P. Howland.	2 00
Second best, Jeremiah Guion.	1 00
Best ten yards tow and linen cloth, Jane Hull.	3 00
Best worked coverlet, Samuel Parrott.	4 00
Best cotton and wool coverlet, Samuel Parrott.	4 00
Second best, Lizzie E. Turley.	2 00
Best ten yards jeans, Jane Hull.	4 00
Second best, Mrs. T. N. Thomas.	2 00
Best woolen socks, Matilda Anderson.	1 00
Second best, Mrs. Rachel Morris.	30
Best cotton stockings, Mary Merryman.	1 00
Second best, J. A. Tomlinson.	1 00
Best woolen stockings, Mary Merryman.	1 00
Second best, Mary Merryman.	50
Best woolen mittens, George Hollingsworth.	1 00
Second best, Jane Hull.	50
Best woolen gloves, Julia A. Tomlinson.	1 00
Second best, E. J. McVay.	50

CLASS O—FLOWERS.	
Best variety of green-house plants, A. Cox.	3 00
Second best, Mrs. P. Howland.	2 00
Floral ornament, Martha Eaglesfield.	2 00
Bouquet for centre table, M. E. Johnson.	2 00
Second best, Ann Cox.	1 00
Bouquet, round or flat, Mrs. P. Howland.	2 00
Best variety of green-house plants, Ann Cox.	3 00
Second best, Mrs. Powell Howland.	2 00
Best and largest variety of dahlias, Ann Cox.	2 00
Second best, Jane Hull.	1 00

CLASS P—FACTORY MADE ARTICLES.	
Ten yards of satin, J. & D. Yount.	4 00
Pair woolen blankets, twilled, J. & D. Yount.	5 00
Ten yards flannel, J. & D. Yount.	4 00

CLASS Q—POULTRY.	
Pair Shanghaies, J. W. Bowles.	1 00
Pair Cochins, Chinas, O. Ritchey.	1 00
Pair pair Chittagongs, J. W. Bowles.	1 00
Pair Bantams, J. W. Bowles.	1 00
Pair Dorkings, O. Ritchey.	1 00
Pair Sumatra game, O. Ritchey.	1 00
Cross of any breed, A. D. Rose.	1 00
Pair turkeys, J. W. Johnson.	2 00
Pair geese, W. J. Johnson.	1 00
Pair Poland ducks, J. W. Bowles.	1 00
Pair common ducks, J. W. Bowles.	1 00
Best general selection of barnyard fowls, O. Ritchey.	5 00
Second best, W. J. Johnson.	3 00

CLASS R—RIDING.	
By boy sixteen years old or under, Thos. McMillen.	5 00
Best boy's pony, Otto Hasselman.	Silver cup.
The slowest mile, John R. Elder.	10 00

CLASS S—UNEXHIBITED.	
Beehive, M. Butterfield.	Diploma.
One-half bushel barley, W. J. Johnson.	50
Grape jelly, Mrs. J. Kendrick.	50
Apple preserves, Miss N. J. Lester.	25
Worked slippers, Emily S. Perkins.	50
Bride's head dress, Mrs. E. Brown.	50
Bride's bonnet, Mrs. E. Brown.	50
Old lady's cap, Mrs. E. Brown.	50
Case of cigars, Charles Raschig.	1 00
Cerian squall, Abram Eppler.	25
Pop corn, Abram Eppler.	25
Best corn planter, J. Jenkins.	50
Second best, E. Kelly.	50
Patent gate shutter, Thos. B. Hand.	50
Corded and tucked bands and sleeves, Mrs. T. B. Hand.	25
Improved shirt bosom, Mrs. T. B. Hand.	1 00
Cage of Canaries, R. C. Talbot.	50
Two pairs Canaries, R. C. Talbot.	50
Factory-made jeans, J. & D. Yount.	1 00
Straw bonnets, J. W. Copeland.	50
Snut machine and separator, Corey & Co.	Diploma.
Jelly cake, M. J. Kendrick.	50
Peach butter, Mrs. Sellers.	50
Ottoman tidy, Miss Ella Barr.	25
Case of infants' shoes, Miss Ella Barr.	25
Child's slippers, Miss Ella Barr.	25
Washstand mat, Miss Ella Barr.	25
Case of infants' stockings, Miss Ella Barr.	25
Venetian blinds, Jacob Barr.	1 00
One-half bushel of oats, A. J. Pope.	50
Fourteen head muley Durham cattle, S. Frazer.	1 00
Devonshire bull, E. N. Shimer.	50
Fresh hide, Chris Hilgenberry.	50
Hogkins, Chris Hilgenberry.	25
Dried hams, Chris Hilgenberry.	50
Cured beef, Chris Hilgenberry.	Diploma.
Cup cakes, Mrs. H. Wright.	50
Satin flowers, Miss Hannaman.	50
Japaned work-box, Mrs. S. Delzell.	50
Tomato figs, Mrs. Samuel Delzell.	50
Self-roasting cradle, John Ott.	50
Pictorial, John L. Ketchum.	1 00
St. plow, Rapp & Dawson.	1 00
Stable plow, Rapp & Dawson.	1 00
Double shovel plow, Rapp & Dawson.	1 00

The above are all the cash premiums awarded—a number of articles received premiums, for which Diplomas were awarded, of which no mention has been made above. These Diplomas will be ready and will be delivered by the Secretary next week.

HOGS—About 2,000 head of hogs sold during the week, at \$5.50 net, to be delivered the last two weeks of November and the first two of December. There is some demand at this rate, and probably a few thousand head additional could be sold on these terms; but there is not much disposition to buy or sell at these rates, as there seems to be a good deal of doubt regarding the future of the market, the confidence regarding a short crop having pretty generally disappeared.

There is a fact connected with hogs which is of importance and should be mentioned. The hog cholera, which has been so fatal at all the distilleries tributary to this market, has gradually disappeared within the last three months, and now but few are lost, though all the establishments are feeding their full number. We hear of the ravages of this disease in localities in Kentucky, but have no reliable information regarding it.—Cincinnati Price Current.

Geo. H. Johnson, connected with the bogus Western Exchange Bank, in this city, has been sentenced to the Penitentiary for four years, by the Boone Circuit Court, for obtaining goods under false pretences.

M. M. RAY, and A. G. PORTER, candidates for Congress, speak at the Township house, in Wayne township, this afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

## THE LOCOMOTIVE.

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