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AMONG THE FARMERS.

"SPREAD THE FLOW."

Correspondence on practical agriculture topics.

For this department to HENRY D. HARRIS.

HARRIS, D. HARRIS, Editor, Oxford, Vermont.

BUSINESS SIDE OF FRUIT GROWING.

READ BEFORE KENNEDY MONROE.

GRANGE, WINTHROP.

The wording of the subject on which I

am asked to speak contemplates there

are two sides to this great and im-

portant industry of fruit growing: First,

the growing of fruit for pleasure and

house use. Second, the growing of fruit

for an income or a business. What I

have to say will be devoted to apply

chiefly to apples, or at most to the tree

fruits.

When we begin to depend upon fruit

for an income, the business side of the

industry at once demands attention. It

is one thing to grow fruit—it is quite

another altogether to conduct the busi-

ness of which we may rely on the in-

come. If we put our attention, then,

on the business side of the industry,

fruit growing, in order to be success-
ful, we must realize with reasonable cer-

tainty a fair annual income from it. Any-

thing short of this will not justify engag-

ing in it or remaining in it.

The business of fruit growing has

been greatly modernized and has since

I have been engaged in it. The market

outlet for the fruit—the chief feature

from a business standpoint—has been

completely changed. It is no longer a

little trade of New England and New

York, and later on of Michigan, was

the only territory growing a surplus of

fruit. It is now a business of the con-

tinent. Finally the discovery of the

hardier varieties, and the introduction

of the business into localities not before

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country with fruit of its own growing,

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THE TRAMP QUESTION.

WHAT THE STATE OF GEORGIA DOES

WITH VAGRANTS—THEY USE THE

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PERRY, GA., Jan. 12, 1898.

Editor Democrat.

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THE OXFORD BEARS.

THE DOINGS OF THE WEEK IN ALL SECTIONS OF THE COUNTY.

PARIS HILL.

First Baptist Church, Rev. H. A. Roberts, Pastor. Preaching every Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 P. M. The church is now holding a series of religious services, and the people are flocking to the meetings. The church is now holding a series of religious services, and the people are flocking to the meetings.

Miss Frances Carter of Bethel is at Mr. Allen L. Carter's. A large number of citizens attended the meeting at the band hall last Thursday evening. George M. Atwood was elected moderator of the meeting. The meeting was held at the band hall last Thursday evening.

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ANDOVER.

A smart storm passed over us last night, making a variety of weather for one winter day.

News has reached here of the death of Irene, eldest daughter of Augustus Roberts of Auburn, aged about 25 years. The remains are to be brought here for burial in the spring and placed in his family lot.

Dr. Merrill of Portland made his mother a flying visit this week. Many farmers say their woodpiles are minus quantities on account of the deep snow.

Don't forget the opera, which will be presented next Thursday evening at the hall. A good time may be expected. The traveling is just horrid.

Mr. Grover started up his dower mill at Masson Falls this week. 300 cords of birch is his contract.

But little sweet made thus far. Congregational circle meets in the hall Wednesday evening. Something new will be interesting you.

Mr. M. S. Huxsey died the 15th. She had been sick for a long time, and was cared for by her two worthy daughters. The sky presented a mass of light, streaming up brighter now and then.

The people who call themselves among the superstitious would doubtless receive this account with forboding—perhaps war with Spain.

Next Tuesday evening ten of our young ladies will give a party in the hall. A good time may be expected.

Mr. O. S. Smith was buried March 16 after a short illness. Mr. Smith was a well-known citizen of Andover.

Willis Farrington has returned to his home in Andover. He will not return until next fall to school.

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BETHEL.

Miss Hattie Foster returned from Waterville, Me., where she has been spending the winter months.

Miss Alice Purinton left Saturday for Waterville, Me., where she will be under the instruction of a conservatory teacher. Judge Parsons rendered verdict for defendant. T. S. Brigham for plaintiff.

O. H. Hersey for defendant. Several expert witnesses were present. The jury returned verdict for defendant. The jury returned verdict for defendant.

Charles H. Bates is visiting his son and daughter, who reside at Norway and South Paris.

It is with the deepest regret that people learn of the resignation of Mr. Bennett C. Snyder, which was effected April 1st. Mr. Snyder has won many friends during his stay in the town, and will be greatly missed.

As leader of the Bethel chorus he should have special mention, and for his untiring efforts deserves both credit and praise.

At 3:30 last Wednesday evening the people of the village were awakened by distant rumblings, and a violent party in town, and we learn from a visit to A. P. Bonney.

The family of Herbert Hall have moved to the village, where he is engaged in the brush business. Miss Lizzie Murch goes with them to instruct the new help in brushing.

The closing concert of the People's Lecture Course under the auspices of the M. E. society, will be given at Dunham's Hall, Monday evening, March 28th, and undoubtably will attract a large audience.

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BUCKFIELD.

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RUMFORD FALLS.

Mr. J. B. Stephens is visiting Boston, taking in the sportsmen's exhibition. When he returns look out for the new bicycles.

W. S. Small, associate editor of the Times, is visiting his boyhood home in Kingsfield. Several of the Knights of Metaculus, Local No. 99, K. of P., visited the Auburn Lodge, last Friday evening.

H. A. Corson, salesman for the Atlantic Refining Co. of Cleveland, Ohio, is visiting his brother, M. P. Corson. He is combining business with pleasure by interesting our business men and manufacturers in his line of products.

The schools within the corporation limits will begin Monday, March 23. Elizabeth Howard has his new house nearly completed.

Our road commissioner, C. H. G. Hamer, is using the road machine to clear the streets from snow.

Brother F. P. Bartlett wants to give away his pony. The paper mill was last week damaged by fire to the extent of \$2,000.

Professor Geo. W. Stearns is visiting his parents at Stoneham. His office is a terror to evil-doers. The school is going to drop. We are proud of their work.

They deserve the support of every law-abiding citizen. The high school at Rumford Falls is prospering under the instruction of Mr. Harry Small.

J. H. Graves and family have moved to the village. The morning exercise session is to be continued. At that time the hills around are covered with snow.

That's right, slide away! The snow won't always last. A. F. Gilmore of the American Book Co. was in town last Friday.

John Caldwell of Andover took in the sights around the Hub last week. Mr. Jenness is building an addition to Masonic Hall on Main Street, two rooms.

Mr. Benoit is selling ready-made clothing for gentlemen and ladies in the bar-shops on Smith Street. Rev. E. H. Abbott exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mr. Horne of Bartlett, Sunday, March 13th.

The P. S. C. E. gave a social Tuesday evening, March 15th, at the vestry. Quite a number of young people were present and all report a very successful evening.

The academy closed March 17th for the week's vacation. The class party for graduation have been given.

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WHEN YOU ARE OLD.

When you are old and gray and full of sleep, And nodding by the fire, take down this book, And slowly and read, and dream of that soft hour, When you were young and true; then too shall know, That you were once as true as I.

How many loved your moments of glad grace, And loved your beauty with love false or true, But one man loved the pilgrim soul in you, And loved the sorrows of your changing face.

And bending down beside the glowing bars, Buried in many a tomb, where you lay so deep, He used to pray, and whisper comfort to you, And hid his face amid a crowd of stars.

—Penny.— W. B. Yeats.

The Quickest Ones in the World Are Said to Be in Kansas City.

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