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The Experimental Fruit Farm.
After mature deliberation and consideration of the claims of different sections of the agricultural committee named in the bill to purchase an experimental fruit farm for Maine, voted on Saturday, July 3, to purchase the well-known Higgs farm, located on the western slope of one of the hills of Monmouth, long recognized as one of the best fruit growing towns of the State. Purchased twenty-five years ago by Rev. J. R. Day, D. D., a large sum of money was expended in its improvement, the erection of an excellent set of farm buildings, the clearing out of the stones and boulders in the fields, draining of the land and setting of thousands of apple trees. While the farm is a success, it is not a success in the eyes of the committee, which respects the two hundred and twenty-five acres, as a whole, affords an opportunity for experimental, objectless work in fruit culture and corn growing hardly possible on any other farm in Maine.

This step marks the beginning of a new era in the history of agricultural development in Maine, and the appreciation of the apple and the corn, it was necessary that such a farm be conducted to establish a standard, for the reason that so many times the standard has been a problem of justifying a cause. One swallow does not make a summer, and one experiment does not conclusively prove anything, hence the problems must be approached from every standpoint, though the financial aspect of the steps will be marked by failure. To know what not to do, is as necessary as to know what to do, provided the information is sought for the sole purpose of improvement. It is here that your trials and troubles and ours in fruit or corn growing may be solved and we be helped to a larger and better understanding of the fruit and the corn. We must remember that this farm is purchased by the State for the benefit of the State, and every inhabitant, and its value will be determined not by the money it may produce but by the assistance the experiments may render the farmers of Maine. We must not look for revenue from this farm, but rather for the outcome of critical tests. Unless the fruit and corn growers use the farm through their appeals for solution of vexed problems, its return to the State will be meagre.

Under the direction of the Station the work is to be carried on for the good of every man who grows fruit or corn, and who wishes to know the best way to grow them. In this way only can the farm be made a State farm and the wishes of those who have worked for, and secured the purchase, be realized. It is not a farm set apart from the rest but may be, and should be, brought nearer to every individual than any farm ever before has been. Its location, one and one-half miles from Monmouth station and practically the same from Leeds Junction, with the promise of a flag station on the farm, makes it central to the fruit growers of the State, and when the machinery is in place, the fruit growers in charge will welcome an inspection and invite suggestions. Let us use this experimental fruit farm for the development of fruit and corn growing in Maine and unite to realize all that is possible from its purchase and the work to be carried there in—Maine Farmer.

Deformed Apples in Maine.
Much concern is expressed by orchardists in Maine who are troubled by deformed and worthless fruit. One fruit grower in Oxford reports 60 barrels of worthless fruit last season and prospect for several hundred more. The cause of these deformed apples is the Curculio, a small insect, which is found on the leaves of the apple tree. The Curculio is a small insect, which is found on the leaves of the apple tree. The Curculio is a small insect, which is found on the leaves of the apple tree.

Apple injury by the Curculio (*Conotrachelus nebulosus*) is one of the most serious insect troubles of the apple orchard, and one least recognized by apple growers. As it is to all appearances rapidly on the increase, orchardists can not afford to neglect the alarming situation.

This trouble is of such a serious character and of such economic importance that I raised two acres of sweet corn and three acres of potatoes. The accounts told as follows:

SWEET CORN.
Total expense for labor, fertilizer, etc., \$146.58
Received for corn, 100 bushels, 104.58
Cost of labor in the barn, 42.30
Profit (7)
Net profit, \$136.10

For all except those used at home and charged at market price this was hard cash right in my pocket. It has gone from me now, but it is not forgotten.

The corn may plant potatoes this year, but I won't plant another hill of it hereafter for two cents per pound, and I will not plant another hill of it hereafter for two cents per pound, and I will not plant another hill of it hereafter for two cents per pound.

POTATOES.
Total expense, 82.25
Cost of growing, 35.15
Total profit, \$136.10

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Keep the Flies Off.
Cows usually decrease in milk in fly time. All extra energy expended in fighting flies means just that much less milk.

Spray the cows with some good fly repellent. It pays. By keeping the stable clean and well screened, the flies will be kept off the cows.

Some dairymen stall their cows during the day, and at night turn them out to pasture at night so that the flies will not bother them while eating.

If the cow is screened and fly-tight, a brush door may be made so that all the flies will be brushed off each cow as she enters the stable, which will make milking more pleasant.

Spinach by the Ton.
It is not often that we see farmers raising spinach enough to load a three-horse team, but it is done right here in Maine. Calling attention to the fact that the great garden in Deering, who probably has the most vegetables growing under glass anywhere in the State, is now loading a hay rack with spinach. It was cut with a scythe, raked with rakes and dumped into a rack and hauled to Burnham & Morrill's—Turf, Farm and Home.

More than a million pine and spruce trees have been planted by private land owners in forty-eight counties of New York State, as the result of the plan of the State, which was adopted in 1892 for planting at cost. The commissioner is quoted as saying that not one-half of the applications for young trees could be filled.

A Vermont dairymen decided to improve his methods of care and feeding stock. The first year his 45 cows gave an average yield of 151 lbs. each; the second year 188 lbs.; the third 182 lbs.; and the fourth 185 lbs.

Home butter-making will give the best returns to the man who cultivates high-class private trade and can make butter that will please his customers.

That Tired Feeling.
On the first page of the June 24 issue of the Farmer was a short, crusty article from a friend who says, "Give us a rest." He seems good and irritable like a small boy who has gone to sleep on a trampoline when his mother is trying to wake him and get him to bed. It can't be that it was any of my advice or criticism that made him so weary, for I have never written anything for publication on the subject he mentions.

As I have practiced for many years these same methods that he scoffs at as utterly impractical, I must write just a few lines, even at the risk of being classed with those who "know nothing of the complications of farm operations."

While there are always many small things to attend to about the farm house, stable, etc., the most important of which would not be worth the paper it is written upon, some of them might more properly be charged as family expenses than farm expenses. I am a firm believer in keeping accurate accounts with each crop that is grown to any considerable extent as a market crop.

If you do business, employing little or no labor besides his own, I don't think accurate accounts are so imperative. It would hardly pay to spend the time and trouble of keeping accurate accounts where one made fifty cents profit, unless he is planning on larger operations in the future.

Several men are employed at the high wages now demanded by farm hands, as is the case on the writer's farm, often having to hire some of the men from a distance. The writer's farm is now paying \$2.50 to \$3.00 a week, and they have been here for some time. Mrs. Dickey is now forty-two years old, having been married for twenty years. She has four children and all are now living. The children are now all grown up and are all living in the same house. The children are now all grown up and are all living in the same house.

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FATHER MAINE'S INVITATION.

(Written for the Democrat.)

Ever since I said what I did, that day, about the children's coming home, I've been over with mother some. A-settle here in a rocking chair, just inside of the old door, I've been over with mother some. A-settle here in a rocking chair, just inside of the old door, I've been over with mother some.

How good 'twould seem, for to see 'em come home, I know they'll be. I'll be a young, white, set and rock, I'll be a young, white, set and rock, I'll be a young, white, set and rock.

I know the young folks mostly take to the doings—mother too, she sets there, I'll be a young, white, set and rock, I'll be a young, white, set and rock, I'll be a young, white, set and rock.

That's what the city folks mostly mean, to let a thing go, and let it go, I'll be a young, white, set and rock, I'll be a young, white, set and rock, I'll be a young, white, set and rock.

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This romance deals with a curious admixture of American plainness and European high life; with a young Indiana girl dazzled by a title and in the clutches of a quartet of sharpers headed by an impecunious British peer; with the girl's Anglomaniac brother, an escaped Russian convict and a faithless wife, and most important of all, with the girl's shrewd, witty, courageous, resourceful guardian, Daniel Voorhees Pike of Kokomo. Daniel loves the Indiana girl and is determined to save her from the sharpers even against her own will. Read and you will learn how Daniel, with but a single friend to aid him, faced a most difficult dilemma and why he figured so prominently in an international romance more important than hearts and capidity far more conspicuous than Cupid.

CHAPTER I
"IT'S A GIRL!"

Bank building, the gaunt young man with the stern features and the kindly gray eyes that always seemed a perpetual rebuke to the face in which they were set, looked at the letter he held in his hand. His back was to the door, and he was looking at the letter he held in his hand. His back was to the door, and he was looking at the letter he held in his hand.

"That so?" responded Pike simply. "Of course it's so, man," replied the other, shaking him vigorously by the shoulder. "Wake up, can't you? It's a letter here that's got to be read."

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