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And build from the rise to the set of the sun
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With its measure of joy and sorrow.
—Boston Transcript.

EASTERN SHORE HUSBANDRY.
Discussions at the Miles River Farmers' Club—Handling Corn.
Baltimore American.

Easton, October 28.—The Miles River Farmers' Club, of this County, is an institution which has for its object mutual improvement in all matters pertaining to the agricultural interests, and which has as its members some of the wealthiest and most intelligent farmers on the peninsula. Dr. Chas. Lowndes is president, and Mr. Owen Norris is secretary. Messrs. Louis W. Trail, Francis Barry, J. Harold Wheeler, Theophilus Tunis, C. F. Eastman, J. B. Dixon and Colonel Oswald Tilghman are the other members. The club meets at the residence of a different member the third Wednesday in each month, and feasts luxuriously at a dinner comprised strictly of the products yielded by the farm of the member. At each meeting questions involving much that is important to the regime of a well-conducted farm are discussed critically and comprehensively, and the conclusions reached in this manner invariably prove valuable to all parties interested. The last meeting was at the beautiful residence of Louis W. Trail, upon picturesque Miles river. Dr. Lowndes president, and Owen Norris, secretary, and Messrs. Eastman, Tunis, Trail, Barry, and Colonel Thomas Hughlett, of Easton, the guest of Mr. Trail, were present. An examination of Mr. Trail's farm by a committee appointed for the purpose resulted in a compliment to the host for the good order and excellent system prevailing.

After Messrs. Lowndes and Norris were re-elected to their respective offices, and after a sumptuous dinner was investigated with a great deal of zest and a great deal of relish, the subject of the day was passed to: "Which is the more profitable crop, corn or wheat?" The following table will show the result to which these gentlemen came; and it is worth a careful consideration inasmuch as its designers are men who are highly experienced in all the improved methods of farming, and who have made agriculture their life study, devoting much time and money to the furtherance of their ideas:

Waiting Ways.
How many ways of waiting one may chronicle. There is the idle waiting that folds its hands and longs for the desired things, the good afar, but does nothing towards obtaining it. There is also the hopeless waiting, which is some may sit sadly down, despairing and alone, and in others may rush to work with feverish zeal, seeking in activity a relief from ever wearying thought. This waiting may seek to bring its goal nearer, tho' hopeless and apparently helpless, it may not be forlorn, but the saddest waiting of all is that which works but fails to hope; that doubts its right to fears; that questions if its good itself may not be evil spoken of. Then there is the waiting which at one time seemed so near its desired end.
So near, so near I almost touch the hands,
I almost feel thy kisses burn my cheek.
And then at another time seems all so distant, so unreal. The waiting one questions if indeed a goal ever shone, if a beacon light ever so vague ever gleamed. Was it not all some trick of fancy, some illusion of the over-heated sense, some ignis fatuus of the soul? The past with its realities, its dear verities becomes as a dream.
I closed my eyes one night in sleep,
I waked and love was but a dream.
The fluctuations from hope to despair; the changes from a sense of infinite reality to one of vague unreality, or of utter loss, are as the drop of water that wears away a stone. Hardly the firmest heart, the bravest soul can stand such unceasing strain. Happy is he who can say that the poet:
—Wait: My faith is large in time
And that which shapes it to some perfect end.
Thrice happy is he if when the Time-angel touches the "quivering strings" of his heart he may not find it the angel of Death, instead of divine possession he has hope to gain.—Wilmington Star.

Women and Money.
Every girl who is not entirely dependent on her male relations—a position which, considering all the ups and downs of life, the sooner she gets out of the better—ought, declares the author of "John Halifax, Gentleman," in the Contemporary Review, by the time she is old enough to possess any money to know exactly how much she has, where it is invested, and what it ought to bring in yearly. By this time also she should have acquired some knowledge of business—bank business, referring to checks, dividends, and so on—and as much of ordinary business as she can. To her information of a practical kind never comes amiss, except the three golden rules, which have very rare exceptions: no investment of over five per cent. is really safe; trust no one with your money without security, which ought to be as strict beyond the nearest and dearest friends as between stranger; and lastly, keep all your affairs from day to day as if you had to die to-morrow. The mention of dying suggests another necessity—as soon as you are twenty-one years of age make your will. You will not die a day sooner; you can alter it whenever you like, while the case of mind it will be to you, and the trouble it may save to those who come after, are beyond telling. It can be too strongly impressed upon every girl who has or expects that not undesirable thing, "a little income of her own," what a fortunate responsibility this is, and how useless she may make it to others. Happier than the lot of many married is that of the "unappropriated blessing," as I have heard an old maid called, who has her money, less or more, in her own hands, and can use it as she chooses, generously as wisely, without asking anybody's leave, and being accountable for it to no one. But then she must have learned from her youth upon how to use it, she must not spare any amount of trouble in the using of it, and she must console herself for many a lonely regret—we are but human, all of us—with the thought that she had been trusted to be a steward of the Great Master. Such an old maid often does as much good in her generation as twenty married women.

Queer Wrinkles.
Fashionable Widow (just before the funeral)—Are you sure, Elmer, that the notices read "kindly omit flowers?"
Fashionable Daughter—Oh, certainly, mamma.
Fashionable Widow—How very odd, then, for only forty-two candles and eighteen boxes of cut flowers have come.
"Has prohibition proved a failure in this town?" shouted a temperance orator.
"No, sir," came a voice from near the door. "Two new drug stores were opened last week."
Sick wife—If I die, John, you will never marry again, will you?
John (with unnecessary earnestness)—No indeed!
"We can't all be President of the United States," said the minister.
"I know it," Bobby replied, and his clear, honest eye shone with lofty ambition, "an' I don't want to be. I'm going to be a drum major."

Guest (to hotel clerk)—Time passes slowly in a strange place. You haven't got a seaside novel about, have you?
Hotel Clerk (touching the bell)—Here, Front, get half a dozen seaside novels for this gentleman from the elevator-boy.
"What was it that ma said to you, when you came in?" whispered young Bobby to Featherly, one of the bestest.
"Oh, simply that she was delighted to see me; that was all, Bobby."
"I'm glad of it," said Bobby, and a look of genuine relief came over his face, "cause she said this morning, 'that she hoped you wouldn't come.'"
"Arter ye've ate that mince pie an' them hard billed eggs," asked the generous woman, "will you carry in some wood for me?"
"Certainly, madam," gratefully replied the tramp; "that is," he heeded, "that is if I live."
Friend (to Manager Mutrie)—Have you all the players you want for next year?
Manager Mutrie—Not yet.
Friend—Well, why don't you try Asia? I hear there are four hundred millions of people there.
Old Lawyer (to young partner)—Did you draw up old Moneybag's will?
Young Partner—Yes sir; and so tight that all the relatives in the world cannot break it.
Old Lawyer (with some disgust)—The next time there is a will to be drawn up I'll do it myself.

An autograph letter that I would like to own was shown me a few days ago. "A. Lincoln" was boldly signed at the end of it, and this wisdom was there, paraphrased in this wise:
"Do not worry."
"Eat three square meals a day."
"Say your prayers."
"Think of your wife."
"Be courteous to your creditors."
"Keep your digestion good."
"Steer clear of the biliousness."
"Exercise."
"Go slow and go easy."
"May be there are other things that your special case requires to make you happy, but my friend, these I reckon will give you a good lift."