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A wonderful book for anyone interested in starting their own homestead or small farm. This book will show you how to be self reliant and build the things you'll need. There are more than 200 illustrations showing you how to make handy farm devices. You'll learn about the farmer's workshop and tools, running a grindstone, making a dumb waiter, making a cradle, how to clean a well, how to stake out stock, bee keeping, how to transplant trees, how to build a bridge for a small stream, how to keep a gate from sagging, important points in house building, how to build small greenhouses, advice on the best way to split wood, black smithing, and much, much more in this thrift-conscious and environmentally wise book.

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