

Questions and Answers.

Cows Scouring.

To the Editor of FARMING:

Will you kindly let me know in your next issue the best kind of grain to feed to a milch cow when on pasture. My cows are scouring very much from the fresh grass. By so doing you will oblige me very much.

GEO. H. KATZENMUIR,
New Hamburg, Ont.

Very frequently when cows are changed from dry feed to fresh grass in the spring of the year a mild form of diarrhoea may result. There is nothing very much to be feared from this, and in fact a little loosening of the bowels at this season of the year will do good. In the case referred to, unless there is a very bad and continued attack, in which case it might be advisable to consult a veterinary surgeon, we would not advise doing anything to suddenly check the disease. Even if no change of feed is made the cow may recover in a few days. It would not do any harm, however, to give the cow a little ground oats to keep up her strength. Do not give anything to suddenly check the disease, as the results might be disastrous.

Food Tests of Holstein-Friesian Cows.

Mr. S. Hoxie, Superintendent Advanced Registry American Holstein-Friesian Association, sends us the following data concerning recent tests:

The greatest scientific interest of the day with regard to comparative merits of the various breeds of dairy cattle is in the cost of production of the various products. The Holstein-Friesian Association of America, in connection with the various state experiment stations, is conducting tests for the purpose of determining the food cost of butter. As a matter of interest to your dairy readers I give below the results of recent tests:

DeKol Manor Beets; age, 2 years, 1 month, 15 days; food consumed, pasturage, pea meal 11.83 lbs., ground oats 11.83 lbs., ground barley 11.83 lbs., ground buckwheat 11.83 lbs.; product, milk 307 lbs., butter-fat 9.695 lbs. Representative of Cornell University Station, H. C. McLallen.

Mutual Friend 2nd; age, 6 years, 6 months, 26 days; food consumed, ensilage 434 lbs., wheat bran 45 lbs., cotton-seed meal 3½ lbs., ground oats, 5 lbs., corn meal 15 lbs.; product, milk 427.4 lbs., butter-fat 14.724 lbs. Representative of Cornell University Station, A. R. Ward.

DeKol Lady; age, 1 year, 11 months, 2 days; food consumed, pasturage, pea meal 11.83 lbs., ground oats 11.83 lbs., ground barley 11.83 lbs., ground buckwheat 11.83 lbs.; product, milk 312.4 lbs., butter-fat 9.384 lbs. Representative of Cornell University Station, H. C. McLallen.

Aggie Paul; age, 2 years, 2 months 2 days; food consumed, ensilage 303 lbs., hay 7 lbs., wheat bran 28 lbs., oil

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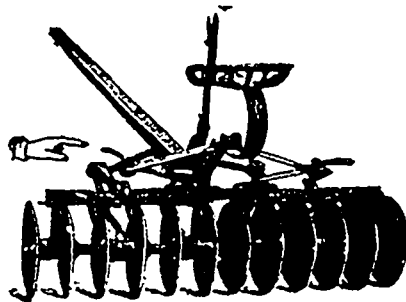
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