

**The Farm.**

**CARE OF MILCH COWS.**

They should have good care from the beginning to the end of the year, and every day of it. Only by so doing can best results be obtained. If a cow be allowed to get very poor for want of proper food or care, she will not recover from it and be worth as much throughout the entire year. In the spring I make from three to four different plantings of fodder corn from one to three weeks apart, chiefly for the benefit of my cows during the summer and fall months. My hogs and horses come in for a share, and rightly fed, they will enjoy it and be greatly benefited thereby.

After ploughing and harrowing the ground very fine, I take a double shovel plough and furrow it out about three feet apart. I then drop or rather string my corn along in the bottom of the furrows, and brush it in with a hoe, covering about one inch deep; it can be done very rapidly if the ground be properly fitted. I keep from two to five cows, and plant from one and a half to two acres of fodder corn about one-half an acre to the planting. My reason for different plantings is for the purpose of having it just right, or in prime condition when ready to feed. If cut too soon or too green, it is not as sweet, stock will soon weary of it, and if left standing too long it becomes too woody and dry and stock will not eat the fodder well.

I always put my cows in the stable for milking the year round. Always grain cows when giving milk, even when in the best of pasture. I feed one-half oats and one-half middlings unless wheat is worth 75 cents a bushel or less; then I have it ground and use it instead of middlings. If at any time during the summer or fall months there be a dry spell to affect the pasture, I have an armful of fodder corn for them. When the first planting is ready to be cut, if not already fed out, I shock it up, but do not bind it in bundles. I then feed out of the shock as I need it until the second planting is ready.

The corn is planted quite near the barn so it will be handy to get and feed. From eight to fourteen tons per acre may be raised, and if rightly managed not ten pounds an acre need be wasted or left by stock when fed. I always calculate to have a good supply of pumpkins and small sized turnips, cabbage leaves, beet tops and apples to feed, changing from one to another, not to take the place of a grain feed, but of the grass they have been accustomed to get in the pasture which they cannot get when the snow comes on. In addition to these pickings, they get their regular grain feed, also what corn fodder and hay they care for. Be sure they have plenty of salt and are salted frequently. The best way to salt cows is to have a small box in the corner of some open shed and just high enough so they can reach it;

**IT SLUGS,**

Even Harder than a Prize Fighter.

A newspaper man is subject to trials and tribulations the same as ordinary mortals. Coffee "alugs" a great many of them.

D. Beidleman, on the Wilkes Barre Record says regarding his experience with coffee, "A little over two years ago I was on the verge of collapse superinduced by the steady grind of the newspaper office. For week's I did not have a night's sound sleep and the wakeful nights were followed by despondency and a general breaking up of the constitution. I ran down in weight. My family physician insisted that I leave off coffee and take on Postum Food Coffee but I would not hear of it.

One day I was served with a cup of coffee, as I supposed, that had a peculiarly delicious flavor. I relished it, and when drinking the second cup I was told that it was not coffee but Postum Food Coffee. I was dumfounded, and for a time thought I was the subject of a practical joke. However, I became a firm believer in, and a user of Postum from that time, and almost immediately I began to sleep nights and the irritableness disappeared, and in less than three months I was completely well and in seven months my weight increased up to 193 pounds. I can now do the work of two ordinary newspaper men."

There is a great big lot of common sense in leaving off coffee and using Postum Food Coffee.

keep plenty of salt in the box all the time.—(H. A., in Farm and Home.

**CUTTING MIDDLEMEN'S TOLL.**

The best methods of marketing garden truck and other perishable produce is just now the subject of much discussion between advocates of various plans. One set of farmers believe in the producer building up a retail family trade direct with consumers in cities and towns. Others oppose this, claiming conditions have so changed within the last generation this cannot be done. Both are right in a measure. Yet the general principle holds true that there is a field for "getting together" and cutting out some of the excessive middlemen's tolls. There is too wide a difference between what the producer actually nets and consumer pays for berries or fresh vegetables, poultry, etc.

No general rule can be applied to the situation. Each farmer must study conditions so far as his own business is concerned. In many instances he can work up a profitable trade in selling direct from farm to town resident. An important element in success of this kind is in seeing that quality is all right and that asked prices are not excessive. The town wife is a shrewd buyer, yet other things being equal she favors the fresh, crisp product direct from the country. Where conditions are suited try this business the coming season.—(Farm and Home.

**VALUE OF REGULAR MILKING.**

The practical value of regularity in milking has long been recognized, but very few dairymen observe it strictly to the letter every day in the season. Some years ago a series of tests showed me that cows milked at regular intervals, although twice within the twenty-four hours, shrank in yield on an average to each animal of half a pound daily, or three and a half pounds during the period of a week. During this time, other cows in the herd milked with the utmost regularity as to hour, morning and night, maintained an even flow without shrinkage. Not caring to render the first number unprofitable, a return to regular milking was made at the end of a week, but even with this it took three weeks' subsequent time before they regained their original yielding status.

On even so-called first class dairy farms this subject is not given the importance that it merits, as, witness how oversleeping in the morning, or prolonging evening labor in the field, are made to infringe upon the milking hour. Bear this in mind: That if you milk cows at all, no other work on the farm that you are called to do is more important than the self-same milking. If you stay an hour late in the field at evening to finish planting a crop of potatoes, while your herd of cows stand at the pasture gate waiting to be milked, what have you gained? The few extra rows of potatoes would grow as readily if planted the next morning, while what you have lost in milk yield may not be regained in many days of renewed vigilance.

On this subject a cow is wiser than some of her masters. Milk her at a certain hour a few days, and, while she carries no watch, animal intelligence guides her unerringly at the self-same hour to the accustomed milking place.—(George E. Newell, in Nebraska Farmer.

"Ah, Mr. Weareighsum," said Miss Gabbeigh, "you make one feel that it is spring all the year round whenever you call."

"Now, that's nice," said Mr. Weareighsum, while the rich redness of his blush crept athwart his countenance.

"Yes, you do," continued the young lady. "You know that spring always gives us that tired feeling."—Baltimore American.

When one said to Carlyle that there was nothing remarkable in the Book of Proverbs, he simply replied, "Make a few."

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Missouri's convicts earned \$4,000 more than they cost last year.

Michael Malojoske, a track laborer, at Hazelton, Pa., worked for three weeks to figure out how long it would take him, working at his wages of \$1.05 per day to earn the amount of President Schwab's annual salary. On Saturday Malojoske announced that it would require just 3,052 years, 9 months and 5 hours. Then he mysteriously disappeared, and it is believed that he committed suicide.

Sir Louis Davies contradicts the statement that he was an applicant for the position of lord of appeal, to sit on the bench of the judicial committee of the privy council. He said: "I hope that the Hon. Edward Blake, who is eminently fitted for the position, would be induced to accept. His appointment would be one which the Canadian people generally would heartily approve of."

At Ellwood City, Pa., Monday afternoon Coston Burns started for his quarries in a buggy with \$2,100 to pay his hands. He was met in the centre of the town by three men and robbed of the satchel containing the money. A posse was organized and the robbers were sighted about two miles from the scene of the robbery. Two of the highwaymen were captured with \$400, but the third got away with the remaining \$1,700.

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Flagship Crescent, accompanied by the cruiser Tribune and torpedo boat destroyer Quail, will leave Halifax at the end of the month for a ten days' cruise. The programme is not definitely arranged, but it is likely that the ships will touch at St. John and Charlottetown and may go as far as Bar Harbor.