

"Agriculture not only gives Riches to a Nation, but the only Riches she can call her own."

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WORK FOR THE MONTH.

In this season of the year every description of live stock will require attention. Sheep, cattle, and horses would thrive better if they were supplied with common salt in their troughs; attend also to the cleanliness of your animals, and remember that regular good feeding is better than irregular profusion. Much difficulty is sometimes experienced in conver ing the whole of the annual produce of straw and coarse litter into manure; to expedite this process, confine your horned cattle and sheep in separate yards, each provided with comfortable sheds, and spread a thick layer of straw over the whole of the yards once or twice per week, and at the same time allow the hogs free access, so that the layers may be regularly and thoroughly mixed. This plan is only applicable to those who have a greater amount of coarse fodder than is required for food for their stock. If the weather be mild, manure may be drawn to the fields, and spread upon the young clover Probably barn-yard manure cannot be applied to the land under any tilizers in use. Do not satisfy yourselves

circumstances, with equal beneficial results, as that of a winter top-dressing upon clover leys and autumn sown wheat. If the manure be long, so much the better for the wheat, as it will protect the young and tender plants, and the snow will not be so apt to Irift, as if no such covering Let each farmer make an were used. experiment of this kind the present winter, and its advantages will, we doubt not, be so fully established, that the practice will shortly become popular.

A few experiments in marling and liming land may be made this winter.— If marl can be had, without drawing too great a distance, try one acre only, at the rate of one hundred bushels; either spread it about on the land in winter, or make it into compost with vegetable mould for a dressing for the young clovers in the spring. Marling is a new operation as yet for the farmers of this We pass our word, that if it country. be rich in lime, as most of the marl in this province is, that it will prove to be one of the richest and most valuable fer-