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Particulars of Beef Ring

Would you kindly publish a chart showing how to divide up a head in shares for a beef ring.—C. F., Victoria Co., Ont.

The numbers that go together, are as follows: 1 and 18, 2 and 16, 3 and 12, 4 and 13, 5 and 17, 6 and 20, 7 and 11, 8 and 15, 9 and 14, 10 and 19. The butcher usually gets \$2 or \$2.50 for the killing and cutting up, just as agreed, no difference made between stall fed and grass fed. Each patron should get a small piece of beef steak and suet for 10c a pound. The ring is generally composed of 16 responsible members who agree to provide one animal for the season for slaughter, to be a heifer or steer usually not more than two years old, and to dress not less than 300 or more than 500 lbs. exclusive of head, heart, liver, feet, tail, etc., and fat of internal or-

A Successful Beef Ring

T. Robertson, Victoria Co., Ont.

We have 20 members in our beef ring, so there we have a beef killed each week for 20 weeks. The first killing is done on the first Tuesday in June. We draw tickets the fall before to determine when each member shall furnish his animal. The head must be either a steer or a heifer three years, or not more than four years old. It must dress about 400 lbs. or a little more. The first seven heaves in the season are valued at seven cents a lb., the rest at six cents a lb. The owner of the animal gets the hide, head, heart and fat. The butcher gets the offal and the blood for his dogs.

For the first two years that we ran our beef ring, we paid the butcher \$2.00 for killing and leaving each

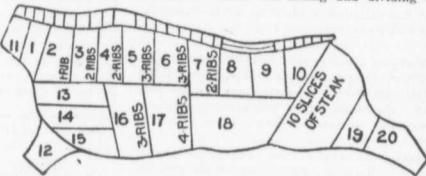


Chart For a 20 Share Beef Ring

gans, which are separated by the butcher, and revert to the owner of the animal, including his hide. Cut up in accordance with chart, each member gets a different cut from the week previous. The beef is usually valued at 6½ cents a pound. Some that could not use their full share subdivided with others so that there were about 30 who had benefitted and all are usually well pleased.

beat. Now he charges only \$1.50. We pay the secretary or hook-keeper \$1.00 for keeping track of each animal. The beef is also divided that each member gets the whole of the animal before the season is over. The secretary records the amount of the beef that each receives and at the end of the summer, those who had the heaviest beef get paid for their extra beef by those who had the lightest.

Where a family is too small to dispose of their weekly allowance, two can join for a share and the butcher divides for them also.

Each week during the season the animal is delivered to the butcher on Monday evening. It is killed on Tuesday morning. The beef is not delivered, the patrons going for it themselves. On our road we take turns so that one draws it for all on their turn.

Principles of Horse Breeding

D. A. McKenzie, B.S.A., Specialist in Agriculture, Victoria Co., Ont.

Few men stop to think of the results that follow the mating of two animals. Having one object in view they allow it to obscure all other possible results. How often we hear a man who owns a mare of an upstanding character, avow his intention of mating her with a stallion of opposite character, thus hoping to get a colt which will be a little taller than the stallion and not quite so tall as the mare. Or we hear a man say that because his mare is lacking in development of loin muscles, or some other important character, he will breed her to a stallion that is particularly strong in these points, and

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British Columbia Dairymen's Association

The British Columbia Dairymen's Association held its first quarterly meeting at Duncan on Saturday May 1st. The afternoon programme drew out a large attendance to hear Dr. Knight lecture on tuberculosis. After the lecture, a cow which reacted to the test, was slaughtered and a post mortem examination held. She proved very badly affected with the disease. From the glands of the throat the disease had spread to the lungs, the liver, and had become quite generalized throughout the system. The post mortem work was watched with great interest by those in attendance and demonstrated to them the fact that an animal may still be in a fair condition and yet be badly affected with tuberculosis. After the demonstration, many of the dairymen who have not had their cattle tested, made application for the test.

In the evening, Dr. C. S. McKee gave a most interesting and instructive address on Sanitation of the Dairy and Dairy Bacteriology, the ripening of cream and care of dairy products. Mr. McPherson, who represented the Dominion Department, and is in the province in the interest of the cow-testing associations, spoke at length on Dairy Farming for Profit, touching on many phases of the industry.

R. W. Hodson, Secretary Treasurer of the Association, then spoke briefly on the line of work that the Association was following, and on the results that it is accomplishing. At the conclusion of the addresses, many questions were asked each speaker, which shows that the British Columbia dairymen is alive to his opportunities, and is making the most of them.—R.W.H.

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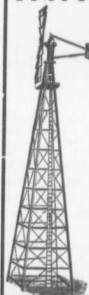
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