

THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Miscellaneous.

TREES AS FENCE POSTS. I want to build a new woven-wire fence on both sides of lane, from the house to the road, a distance of forty rods. I have maple trees, from 4 inches to 5 inches in diameter, and from one to two rods apart, along each side where fence is to go. Could the wire be nailed to trees instead of posts without injuring NEW SUBSCRIBER. Ans.-Spike 2 x 4 scantling to the trees

and staple the wire to these.

WEIGHT OF A GALLON OF MILK.

What is the standard weight of one gallon of whole milk?

YOUNG DAIRYMAN. Ans.-10.28 to 10.36 pounds, the average being about 10.32 pounds. There is no standard weight for milk so far as we are aware. Other conditions being equal, the higher the percentage of fat, the lighter the milk per gallon, as fat is lighter than water, while the solids not fat are heavier.

DETERMINING SEX IN PIGEONS.

Could you tell me the way to distinguish male pigeons from females ? I have been trying to find out the difference between them for some time.

E. W. M.

Ans .-- It is sometimes rather difficult to determine the sexes in pigeons, and a novice can do little more than guess. Experts claim to be able to distinguish the male from the female in about 90 per cent. of the cases, but oftentimes they, too, are strangely deceived. It is not well to guarantee the sexes in selling unless you have mated the birds. The thicker neck. He struts more than the larger and more masculine than the male, bird. The bones about the vent in the hen are a trifle wider than in the male. When held outstretched, with his head in one hand and his feet in the other the male will sometimes drop his head downwards, while the hen shifts here to one side



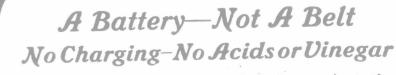
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