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## GOSSIP.

If the pig troughs or watering tank leaks rub some cement into the cracks. Cement makes good corking, and they say the time is coming when the whole tank will be made of it.

The color of milk is a poor guide by which to determine its richness. In cases it is very misleading .-many Wagg

Those who seek selfish pleasures soon find their enjoyment dulled.

"You cannot keep me down," shouted the great orator at a public meeting; "though I may be pressed below the waves I rise again ; you will find that I come to the surface, gentlemen.' "Yes," said an old whaler in the audi-

ence, "you come to the surface to blow."

A Chicago man, while in New York, was requested by a long-distance telephone operator to deposit 25 cents for telephoning to a certain place. He objected.

"Why, in Chicago," he said, "we can telephone to h-for a quarter." "Yes, but that's in your city limits," was the girl's answer.

The center man of the whole population of the United States is Henry Marr, a farmer who lives near Columbus, Bartholomew County, Ind. The census hureau has found that the exact center of population at the census of 1900 was on his farm, in latitude 39 degrees 9 minutes 30 seconds north, and longitude S5 degrees 48 minutes 54 seconds west. The spot has been marked by a monument.

A quack doctor, whose treatment had evidently led to the death of his patient, was examined sternly by the Coroner. "What did you give the poor fellow ?"

asked the Coroner.

Ipecacuanha, sir."

"You might just as well have given him the aurora borealis," said the Coroner

"Well, sir, that's just what I was going to give him when he died."

In an address before the meeting of the South Dakota Sheep-breeders recently, Mr. Frank Cronk said : "In buying your ram get one as nearly perfect as possible. Don't be afraid to spend a few dollars in finding him. When I started in the sheep business I wrote a noted Canadian breeder, describing the ram I would like to buy. He replied : 'If I had as good a ram as that I would use him myself.'"

An Aberdeen gentleman, who sojourned at a summer resort in the Highlands for the benefit of his health, called on the doctor for consultation, and in course of wo called again to settle his day fee. When the doctor inquired regarding the progress of his health, the Aberdonian asked how much was to pay. "Your first consultation," replied the doctor, "is 5s., and to-day's 2s. 6d." "Do you think," replied the Aberdonian, sharply, "I'm going to pay you half a crown for coming in to pay you 5s?"

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It is very important to teach the young calf to eat at as early an age as possible, for the calf which eats well suffers much less at weaning time than one which is not accustomed to depend upon itself to any extent. Oats, either whole or ground, or a mixture of oats and oil cake, make an excellent food for the young calf at this time. It should also be encouraged to eat some clover hay and a few roots.

A wholesome dissatisfaction with present attainments is always and at all times a condition precedent to advancement and improvement. The man who thinks he is doing about as well as the average of his neighbors and is therewith content, is not the stuff that progressive dairymen, farmers, merchants, manufacturers, or other successful men are made of.

Improvement of cattle has been made by improved care and improved feeding in connection with careful selection and breeding. Take away the improvement in care and feeding, and selection and breeding will avail very little. The whole object of improvement is not to develop a class of cattle that will withstand rough treatment and scanty fare, but to develop animals that will make the greatest possible profit when given the very best treatment and fed in the most skillful and liberal manner, and it is little use for anyone to begin to improve his cattle unless he first realizes thoroughly that he must improve the conditions under which they are kept.

Several years ago, Dr. E. P. Henson delivered a lecture on the subject of "Fools" at the Lakeview Assembly grounds, South Framingham. Bishop Vincent, who was presiding, introduced the speaker, saying : "We are about to listen to a lecture on fools by one of the greatest-(here the Bishop paused, while the audience broke into an uproar of laughter, and then continued)-the greatest lecturers of modern times."

Dr. Henson, nowise nonplussed, rose and said : "Ladies and gentlemen, I am not as great a fool as our Bishop Vincent-(here a pause and more laughter from the audience, and then the doctor continued)-would have you believe."

On one of the old turnpikes yet remaining in the South, a big touring car had twice rushed through the gate without paying toll. The third time they' made the attempt, the negro toll-man shut his gate, and brought them to a stand. With indignation, the halfdozen occupants of the car declared they were entitled to ride free.

"Look at your own board," said the pokesman. "It says, 'Every carriage, spokesman. cart or wagon drawn by one beast, 2 additional heast. 2 cent We're not drawn by any beast at all."

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The secretary of the Clydesdale So-ciety of Great Britain has kindly provided us with volume XXVII. of the studbook, which contains the records of stallions numbering from 12,411 to 12,792, and of mares from 15,909 to 16,445. The frontispiece is a beautiful halftone engraving of the noted horse, Revelanta (11876), and the remainder of the volume is characterized by the usual high-class typography for which these studbooks are noted.

A schoolmaster had just finished a lesson on "Food," when a little boy put up his hand; on being asked what he wanted, he replied : "Please, sir, Jones said he knew a baby that was brought up on elephant's milk, and it gained ten pounds in weight every day."

Jones ought not to tell you such rubbish," said the master. Then, addressing Jones, he said : "Tell me whose baby was brought up on elephant's milk."

To which Jones hesitatingly replied "Please, sir, it was the elephant's baby."

"No; but here's where ye come in, sah," replied the darky, pointing to an-" ' Every halfother clause, as follows : "' Every half-dozen hogs, 4 cents.' An' three times four is twelve," he added. The twelve cents was paid.

"A minister often has a hard time convincing a young man whom he has just married that there is no regular price for the ceremony, and yet leaving such an impression that he will be sure to get a liberal donation," said the Rev. C. P. Smith, pastor of the North Side Christian church, in Kansas City, "and we often have some amusing experiences in connection with the matter.

"I remember one instance about ten years ago; when I was preaching at Walla Walla, Wash. There was no negro preacher in town, and I was often called upon to perform a ceremony between negroes. One afternoon, after I had married a young negro couple, the groom asked me what was the price for the service.

"'Oh, well,' said I, 'you can pay me whatever you think it is worth to you.'

"The negro turned and silently looked his bride over from head to foot, then slowly rolling up the whites of his eyes to me, said :

"' Lawd, sah, you has done ruined me

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