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Skim Milk for Chickens.

A test of the value of skim milk for chickens was made last year at the Indiana Experimental Station with two lots containing ten Plymouth Rocks and ten Houdans. Each lot was given all they would eat of a mixture of crushed corn, bran and ground oats, 2:1:1. Both lots were also fed cracked bone, cabbage and lettuce and had access to water. The amount of these articles consumed is not recorded.

The two lots received the same treatment in every respect except that Lot 2 was given all the skim milk they would eat in addition to the grain ration. The test began July 11 and closed September 5. During the test one chick in Lot 1 died. Lot 1 consumed 179.9 pounds of grain and the average weekly gain per chicken was 2.62 oz. Lot 2 consumed 217.3 pounds grain and 30.4 pounds skim milk and the weekly average gain per chicken was 4.46 oz.

The following conclusions were drawn: "If skim milk be added to the ration fed to the young chickens it will increase the consumption of the other foods given. The great increase in average gain was coincident with the periods when the greatest amount of skim milk was consumed. Skim milk is especially valuable as a food for young chickens during the hot, dry weather and becomes of less importance as the chickens grow older and the weather becomes cooler."

Timely Dairy Notes.

A cow that can fill the milk pail is all right provided the milk pail is big enough.

It takes all kinds of people to make a world, but it does not take all kinds of cows to make up a dairy. Good dairy-men select the best.

The man who believes in sheltering pigs, calves and poultry in the same stable with cows is only one step in advance of the peasant who keeps his live stock in a section of his dwelling house.

The term "good milk" signifies a great deal. It means that it comes from healthy cows and healthy, nourishing food, and that it is not contaminated by the hands of the milkier, or from other sources after it leaves the udder.

If you have a cow that coughs, and tends towards emaciation on good feed, regard her with suspicion, and at once isolate her from the rest of the herd till she can be tested for tuberculosis.

Seed Bed For Onions.

Land where onions are to be grown should always be fall ploughed after at least one year's cultivation since it has been in sod. This will enable the sod to rot, and if it has been top dressed with manure, will turn both the rotted sod and manure to the surface, where repeated freezing and thawing will bring both to fine tilth. It is impossible to grow onions on a newly turned sod, no matter how rich it may be. The seed will start to grow all right, but the rotting of the sod beneath it, will cause the soil above to fall away leaving it full of crevices, letting in air to the tender roots. There should be no deep cultivation in spring where onion seed is to be sown. The finer the soil two or three inches below the surface the better for the crop. That will cause the roots to spread horizontally, growing large, fat onions. If the soil is deep and rich below the seed bed the roots will run down and produce a crop of scallions.

Keep Only First-Class Cows.

The chief difficulty in making dairy farming successful is the great number of cows that do not pay their keep and whose products are always sold at a loss. If one-tenth of all the cows owned were fattened at once and sold for beef it would remove from the market the surplus butter and cheese, which are now keeping prices too low for profit. Prices might be temporarily a little higher until the stock of the best cows can be made large enough to supply the demand. Then, with prices no higher than they have been and perhaps not so high, all dairymen would make money. Getting rid of the poorest cows will also do away with most of the inferior butter. When a farmer knows that his cows are not paying he grows careless and often uncleanly in the dairy. When his butter is found to be inferior he is apt to blame it all to his luck, and thus, instead of trying to improve, making matters worse. The best way to arouse such farmers to better method is to increase the milk and butter capacity of their cows. When they

secure cows that they can feel some pride in they will be likely to take pride in every part of their business.

Early Work on Strawberries.

When a mulch is not used on strawberries and especially if the land has not been properly treated the first year, it sometimes becomes necessary to work the ground in the spring, in order to keep it free from weeds. In this case the Michigan station advises that the cultivation should be kept up after the plants are in blossom. Where the hill plants have not been mulched there will be even greater necessity for spring cultivation. Some growers dispense entirely with the mulch, but even though it is not used in the fall the best fruit will only be secured when the plants are mulched in the winter. It should be applied in the spring before the fruit has set. It will not only keep the berries clean, but it will be of great value in conserving moisture if the season is dry. Many growers who mulch in the fall find it advisable to cultivate their plants, however, in the spring, and to do this the mulch must be taken off and again replaced after the cultivation has been given. By throwing four or five rows together it can be done with little labor.

Garden Gatherings.

When immature seed is sown the tendency is to produce an earlier and more prolific product, as has frequently been done with tomatoes, but this is carried out at the expense of the ultimate vitality of the stock.

The garden should be ploughed in the spring as soon as the ground is warm enough and pulverized till free from lumps. Do not plough when too wet, as it causes clods. Mark out in rows in order to cultivate with horse plants should not be hoed.

Farmers should make it an object to have a good garden, one that will supply the family with choice, fresh vegetables from early in the spring until frost. The health of the family will be better, and living expenses less, as the vegetables take the place of less wholesome food, that otherwise would have to be bought with products of the farm.

For early cabbage and tomatoes, the seed should be sown in boxes, and when large enough to transplant, put into pastebord boxes, and these put into the ground. The damp earth will soon rot pastebord. So it will not hinder the growth of the plants, for later use the seeds may be sown out of doors, in a small bed by themselves, and when the garden is put in good shape, may be put in their proper places.

To distribute shrubs singly through a lawn is a mistake. Commonly the effect is bad; the labor of cultivating a space about each shrub is so great that it is rarely continued. A large bed or group of shrubs can be better and more easily cared for; while a single shrub is often interesting for a brief period, a group of shrubs is interesting for months together. If a considerable variety is planted there will be continuous bloom during the season of growth. While the foliage lasts, plants with golden or purple foliage give a continuous effect.

If you want a rhubarb bed that will last, dig a trench 18 inches wide and two feet deep, nearly filling same with well-rotted manure. Get what is commonly known as the medium or wine plant, and set it in the trench with sufficient soil for the bed and covering. Do not let it produce over one seed stock to each root and that not often than once in four years. This much seedling seems to improve the stalks after the following year, but if more is allowed the roots will soon decay. A neighbor set his rhubarb 18 years ago, and it is fine every season. The above was his plan. Small roots of horseradish set top end up, will produce large, solid roots the next spring, never set more than will be used, as the second season's crop will be tough and hollow.—Montreal Witness.

The Old Woman's Sermon.

A carping old woman once said to her pastor: "Dear me, ministers make' muckle ado about their hard work; but what's two bits of sermons in the week tae mak' up? I could do it myself."

"Weel, Janet," said the minister, good humoredly, "let's hear you try it."

"Come awa' in a text then," quoth she.

He repeated with emphasis, "It is better to dwell in the corner of the house-top than with a brawling woman and in a wide house."

Janet fired up in a minute. "What's that ye say, sir? Dae ye intend anything personal?"

"Stop! stop!" broke in her pastor, 'you would never do for a minister.'

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