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About the Farm.

A REASON FOR SONG.

Somehow the great Creator Gave unto everything Some good gift to be glad for, Some sort of voice to sing; And if you love sweet music, Just go out in the morn, And feed a flock of chickens A basket-full of corn; Then lean up in the corner, Or crawl up on the fence,

And watch the air grow vocal With song's own eloquence. There are a hundred voices, Each in a different key, And still they blend together In perfect harmony;

One feeling seems to move them, From lordy Plymouth Rock, Down to the little Bantam, The dandy of the flock. And, oh! this is the reason
All do so well their parts:-Not that they wear fine feathers, But that they have glad hearts.

Yes, something to be glad for, Some sort of voice to sing, That's what the great Creator Gave every living thing; Why, even the moulting mongrels, Without a plume for show, Sing with the Golden Spangles,

As 'round and 'round they go. Ah, they have learned the secret That once the bright stars had: There's something to be glad for, And so they are just glad.

Dairy Motes.

More people should live in homes instead of houses.

Cultivating the soil is Nature's own favored occupation.

Is your creamery equipped for pasteurizing the skim milk?

No one ever heard of a creamery paron kicking about his test-when it

"As good as the wheat" is out of date. 'As good as the cow" suits us better. The most of us are compelled to deal with the money power in a very passive

The worst of us have our "good points," although it is hard to find them sometimes.

Our hopes and actual realizations generally need an introduction in order to know each other. It doesn't pay to tie to the man who

agrees with your every view. The world wants thinkers. The man who can't treat his dumb

animals kindly will not make the right kind of a husband. Sentiment in favor of better methods

on the part of both operator and patrons is fast gaining ground. An old dairyman says clover worth as much, pound for pound, for

feeding calves as whole milk. What would some of our dairymen do if the good cows did not pay the losses incurred by keeping scrubs?

The man who makes up his mind quickly often "strikes it rich," and then again gets into all kinds of

It makes no difference whether it is called "oleo," "oleomargarine," "butterine" or "margarine," it is the same old fraud and we all know his history.

It is not necessary to buy a whole lot of high priced cows in order for a farmer to make a success in the dairy business. The common cow with common sense treatment will do her part.

Sometimes when a buttermaker gets too persistent in his demand for new things in the creamery the board finally decides on getting one new article and that one to be a new buttermaker.

Do not let the cows get hungry and uneasy. Give them their ensilage and grain and plenty of hay.

It is a very poor cow that will not respond to good care, generous feeding and comfortable surroundings.

A man may be wise and not know it and again he may think he is wise and still be awfully mistaken.

In producing milk we get no returns from the food consumed unless the question of support is first satisfied. Therefore keep the cows that do not use the food nutriments for making beef, and then feed them all they will

How about the co-operative creamery company which sends out a cream gathering wagon into another's territory, and then howls about the central plant invading its territory? Reminds us of the old story about living in a glass house.

How about that rusty can problem, its it troubling you? There are thousands of cans being used in the older districts which ought to receive hatchet treatment. Wouldn't it be a good plan for our inspectors to devote more attention to condemning rusty

Some day when you feel blue and discouraged just pause and compare your lot in life with the thousands of those in different lands who barely have enough to eat to sustain life, with perhaps no place to lay their weary heads. Then thank God that you are one of his favored family who enjoy such privileges as are really your own. Haven't we a whole lot to be thankful for, after all?

Dangers in Milk.

Milk is one of the most nutritious and healthful of foods and it may be one of the most dangerous of foods. Many contagious diseases are spread by milk. Germs or bacteria find in milk the best place possible for them to grow. After they get into milk the only way to check or stop their growth is to cool it to near 50 degrees of F. or heat it to at least 150 degrees F.; the latter treatment will destroy nearly all the

Many astonishing statements and sentences with long words in them can easily be reeled off on the subject of bacteria in milk, but it is sufficient here to say that the dust and air of most cow stables is loaded with bacteria, and when they get into the milk they multiply at the rate of millions per minute. This ought to be a sufficiently startling statement to cause the milker who has never heard of it before to pause and consider his ways. His duty to his family and to humanity in general when he is milking is a serious matter. Is the air of the stable pure and free from dust during milking?
Would he be willing and glad to eat a
plate of soup while he is milking a cow? If not, why not? Isrn't milk a human food and isn't the milk pail that is under the cow being filled with food for his table? Are you proud of the place where your cows are kept and would you be beaming with smiles if the persons who buy your milk should call on you in the stables at milking time?

Many cases are on record which prove conclusively that milk has been the means of spreading such contagious diseases as tuberculosis, diphtheria, typhoid fever and scarlet fever. Such a responsibility as this certainly ought to convince a milker that his work is a serious business, and while he cannot see the germs that fill the air around the milk pail, he can at least take every precaution possible to keep the milk free from dust and dirt of every description while he is milking.

People who handle our milk supply

may be divided into two classes, first, those who know how to take proper care of it but fail to do so, and second those who really do not what things ought to be done in order to keep milk in the purest condition possible until it reaches the consumer or factory.

"Chicken-Little" Don'ts.

Don't make a mistake of giving the chicks free run too early, but, on the other hand, give them access to the warm run and green grass shoots as early as possible.

Don't allow the floors of the brood coops to become dirty, and above all things, avoid dampness, as this is certain to be fatal to young chicks.

Don't forget that green stuff is good for the little fellows. Finely chopped onions-or better still, lettuce, where it can be had-will help a whole lot.

Don't fail to provide a brood coop large enough for the hen to move about Then she will not be so apt to maim chicks by stepping on them.

Don't forget to remove all surplus food after the chicks are through with their meal. Never leave a portion to be trampled and mussed over.

Don't forget that it isn't the earliest

hatched, but the best cared for

chicks that are profitable ones.

Don't think that you a healthy and thrifty chi that are themselves infing in vigor and vitality
Don't forget that an sight and care in the a ton of regret and retre

Fowls are like people for an occasional change varied ration is best ac growth and development as well as to the keep birds in good health With the variety of g ieties of vegetables, gro table scraps, etc., one n of any fowl, old or you of condition. Nearly all tables make a good food cut up raw, or cooked.
table cutter will be foun
article where many b
Don't expect fowls to d one article of food to th all others. Give them a

Starting a Poultry

The question is often much capital is needed poultry business large cupy a man's time and f

for him and his family? This is a question th swered only by the pers the business, for no two the same idea of a living might live on \$250 a yea want at least four time before they could say th living from poultry.

It is not uncommon for ities to advise starting than \$5,000 or \$6.000. vice is given to people no experience with poult haps to set a hen and backyard in which to rais people who think that the to learn about the busine newspaper stories about fits with but little labo will be small enough capital will very likely be

the dreams of the pror realized. This, however, has been times and almost alway astrously, that we do sensible man would any more than he wou tract for building a house

worked at the carpenter trade. Let us see what are of a practical comme plant. First, a person s thorough knowledge of gained by actual experientry on a commercial scal understood that there is difference between hatchi chickens by the natural hatching and raising chic cubators and brooders a tween making butter by se in small pans and using separator. While a pers one method very well, the may prove a failure ur has been acquired. The gain knowledge of the work for a year, at leas successful poultry plant. careful study of the le

journals, should give a

idea of the best methods

would not advise any one

all borrowed capital, bu money, more knowledge a inclinations to work, a po can be built up that wi

A few potatoes are re horses this time of the ye be used in a moderate other better roots are n

A feed of steamed barle makes variety of feed a not, however, feed barle mares. Too much barley upsets the digestion ar harm than good.

If you have not been fe rots to the horses this w to put a few in the gard Carrots are like horses, as they promote t digestive apparatus in go save feed.