added and plenty of skim milk will ever eat her pigs.

Last winter I put twelve sows into a roomy basement and fed them on nine bushels of culled apples and twenty pounds of wheat middlings daily, and the twelve raised 100 nice pigs and never a moment was lost in watching them, nor did they show any tendency to cannibalism. I am this winter keeping twenty on a diet of mangels, wheat middlings and skim milk with a little oil meal occasionally, and I am not the least afraid any of them will have a craving for young pork at farrowing time. When a breeding sow is wintered, as so many of them are, on what hay she can pick up in the barnyard and a daily feed of ear corn, and compelled to sleep in the straw or under the barn, she becomes constipated and feverish, and when the family arrives there is no milk for them, but on the contrary the udder is caked, inflamed badlyand sore, and not being able to reason from cause to effect it is no wonder that instead of eating the owner, who by his foolish way of feeding is the responsible party, she has hysteria and eats her pigs. The wonder is that she lives through the ordeal of farrowing.

Of course it is better not to meddle with the sow at this time unless some assistance is absolutely necessary, but every sow from her youth up should be handled and made so tame that the presence of her owner will not annoy her, so that he may be around, but if she be fed properly as above indicated she will heed nothing until she is through, when in a short time, she should be given a drink of quite warm water and then left until she comes from her bed of her own account, which will sometimes not be for a full day or more.

Of coarse it will not do to feed so much succulent and laxative food as I have indicated, and then compel the sow to endure zero cold or sleep in a snow bank or wet straw. But every man so foolish as to keep his sows in such quarters ought to know enough not to try to have them raise a family until they have time to run in pasture so as to fully overcome the evil effect of such a suicidal system of wintering. -J. S. Woodward, The National Stockman and Farmer.

Tourist (in a remote corner of Scotland)—"You get no newspapers here? Good gracious, you never know what's going on in France." Rustic—" Aweel, and whit aboot it? The folk in France are nae better aff. They dinna ken whit's gaun on here."

Stock Notes

MR. WM. WILLIS, Pine Ridge Farm, Newmarket, Ont., writes: I must congratulate you upon the splendid exhibition number which you got up. It put me in mind of the old home to see Smithfield and Covent Garden markets, as I have been to both places a good many times. My Jersey stock is all doing fairly well. I have had six two-year-old heifers calve since March, and a nice lot they are. Some of them are very promising. Brownie of Pine Ridge is a very nice heifer with a fine square udder, and gave more milk MR. WM. WILLIS, Pine Ridge Farm, New-

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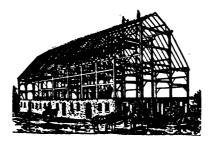
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