

The Farm.

Market Early.

A writer in Farm Poultry says: We wish people would understand that, in letting their eggs get stale before marketing them, they are directly contributing to discouraging the consumption of eggs; they are injuring themselves and every other egg producer. People are willing to pay almost any price for eggs which they know to be fresh, and when they do get them they eat nearly twice as many as when they cannot get them fresh. Of this we have abundant proof in personal experience with customers. It is just so with milk, as Mrs. Whittaker says. Her statement is: "If milk was what it ought to be, there would not be any surplus, for it is safe to estimate that most families would use two quarts where they now use one." That statement is absolutely true of eggs as it is of milk. We need to get producers and consumers nearer together, and get the eggs into consumers' hands almost before they are cold, certainly before they have had time to become stale—and when we can do that, we shall double the consumption of eggs as an article of food.

The Home Market for Cheese.

It is conceded by every one closely identified with the Canadian dairy trade that we have about reached the maximum quantity in regard to our export trade in cheese. We are now sending to Great Britain annually about \$15,000,000 worth of cheese. The export market has now reached such a stage that if we increase to any great extent the quantity of cheese we put upon that market a reduction in prices is sure to follow.

Though it is quite evident that we cannot increase our export trade in cheese, there is room for greatly increasing the home demand for cheese. For the great cheese-producing country such as we claim to be, we are, perhaps, the poorest cheese-eaters to be found anywhere. If Great Britain only consumed the same amount of cheese per capita as we do, Canadians would have to go out of the business of making cheese, as there would be no market for the product. Compared with Great Britain we are in no wise of the term cheese-eaters. The average Canadian eats, perhaps, a pound of cheese every year, where he should eat at least five pounds, and could increase the amount to ten pounds without any great effort. A well-made, well-cured cheese is one of the most wholesome of foods, and, where so many of our people work on the farm, or in the factory, there should be a greater demand than there is for good, wholesome, cheddar cheese.

How this condition of things is to be remedied is something that every dairyman should consider. In a large measure the dairymen have themselves to blame for it. No definite, persistent effort has been made to develop the home market or to create a demand among Canadians for their own cheese. As a rule, the cheese that is sent to the cities and towns is of an inferior character, and the consumer in this country, instead of getting the best quality, has to be content with a second grade and, in many cases, a third and fourth grade, of cheese. Is it to be expected that a growing home demand for our cheese can be developed under such conditions? We think not. To develop this trade and to cause our people to eat more cheese we must supply them with the best quality. When this is done the taste for cheese eating will grow, and a good demand will be created.—Farming.

Thoroughbred Fowls.

"Where is the value of thoroughbred poultry?" said a farmer to me the other day. "I do not see why common poultry sells at 8 cents a pound and thoroughbred at from \$2 to \$5 a head." Now, why thoroughbreds should be worth more than the common stock found with many of our farmers is easily explained. Many a farmer-to-day is keeping from 50 to 100 fowls of the old common varieties or mongrels, inbred and inbred for years. He does not take the interest in them that the man

would who had used his hard cash, time and brains to produce pure, profitable, thoroughbred stock; in fact, he takes no interest in them at all, for the sight of them gives him no pleasure. Eggs are few and far between, and he finds no profit in them. But let that same farmer invest in a few thoroughbreds and his mind changes. He smiles when he looks at his flock, and cares for them properly. He takes pride in showing them to his friends, and they yield for him a good supply of eggs, that are uniform in color, and, instead of there being a loss in keeping poultry, he finds that they are paying him better than his mixed-up varieties, or better even than many of his other branches of farming. A small flock of fowls can be kept with very little expense by utilizing the scraps and waste from the pantry, which make the very best feed for the production of eggs. And I believe that a great many of our farmers would find it more profitable to keep only a small flock of from 15 to 25 fowls than to keep 75 or 100, as many of them are doing; or to keep only a few until they know better how to handle them profitably. A few hens will supply the family with an abundance of eggs at a very small expense if they are well kept, and will give their owner much more pleasure in looking after them than if they were three times what he could care for.—V. N. Couch; in Indiana Farmer.

Johnny Cakes.—"Johnny cakes" or griddle cakes of cornmeal are made as follows: Scald one pint of cornmeal and add to this a cup of flour, with which has been sifted one teaspoonful each of salt and baking powder. Thin with water or milk and last of all add an egg, the white and yolk beaten separately.

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