

chimneys, passing out through the roof on each side of the ridge, uniformly, each with the other. The roof has a pitch of 45° on a horizontal line, giving it a bold and rather dashing appearance, and deeply sheltering the walls. The side gables give variety to the roof, and light to the chambers, and add to the finish of its appearance; while the sharp arched double window in the front gable adds character to the design.

The deep veranda in front covers three-quarters of its surface in length, and in the symmetry of its roof, and airiness of its columns, with their light braces, give it a style of completeness; and if creeping vines or climbing shrubs be trained upon them, will produce an effect altogether rural and beautiful.

Or, if a rustic style of finish be adopted, to render it cheaper in construction, the effect may still be imposing, and in harmony with the purposes to which it is designed. In fact, this model will admit of a variety of choice in finish, from the plainest to a high degree of embellishment, as the ability or fancy of the builder may suggest.

INTERIOR ARRANGEMENT.

From the veranda in the center of the front, a door opens into a hall, 17×7 feet, with a flight of stairs leading in three different angles, to the chambers above. Opposite the front door is the passage into the living room, or parlor, 17×15 feet, lighted by three windows, two of which present an agreeable view of an adjacent stream and its opposite shores. At the line of partition from the hall, stands a chimney, with a fireplace, desirable, or for a stove, to accommodate both this room and the hall with a like convenience; and under the flight of stairs adjoining opens a china closet, with spacious shelves, for the safe-keeping of household comforts. From this room, a door leads into a bedroom, 10×13 feet, lighted by a window opening into the veranda, also accommodated by a stove, which leads into a chimney at its inner partition. Next to this bedroom is the kitchen, 12×13 feet, accommodated with a chimney, where may be inserted an open fireplace, or a stove, as required. In this is a flight of back chamber and cellar stairs. This room is lighted by two windows—one in the side, another in the rear. A door leads from its rear into a large, roomy pantry, 8 feet square, situated in the wing, and lighted by a window. Next to this is a passage, 3 feet in width, leading to the wood-house, (in which the pantry just named is included.) 16×12 feet, with nine-foot posts, and roof pitched like the house, in the extreme corner of which is a water-closet, 5×3 feet. Cornering upon the wood-house beyond, is a small building, 15×12 feet, with ten-foot posts, and a roof in same style as the others—with convenience for a cow and a pig, with each a separate entrance. A flight of stairs leads to the hay-loft above the stables, in the gable of which is the hay-door; and under the stairs is the granary; and to these may be added, inside, a small accommodation for a choice stock of poultry.

The chamber plan is the same as the lower floor, mainly, giving three good sleeping-rooms;

that over the kitchen, being a back chamber, need not have a separate passage into the upper hall, but may have a door passage into the principal chamber. The door to the front bedroom leads direct from the upper hall. Thus, accommodation is given to quite a numerous family. Closets may be placed in each of these chambers, if wanted; and the entire establishment made a most snug and compact, as well as commodious arrangement.

WINTER.

(For the Agriculturist.)

Winter, stern Winter has come, and all the associations connected therewith rush at once upon the mind; the dull, dreary day is ushered in with a snow-storm, and the monotony is only relieved by the "sound of the merry sleigh-bells," as the farmer with his sturdy team ploughs his way through unbroken snow drifts to the market. The forest trees, which but a few weeks ago were covered with leaves, affording at once shade and shelter to man and beast, are now stripped of their foliage, and through their naked branches the storm sweeps with a melancholy sound. The feathered songsters which sported among their branches, and enlivened us with their melodies, have gone to a more congenial clime; even the little squirrel, that was all activity a short time ago, betakes itself to some hollow log or trees where he has laid up his winter's stock of nuts, and waits in patience the return of spring. Yes! gray-haired Winter has come again; no doubt the farmer has been mindful of his approach, and is prepared to give him a "warm reception;" his cellars are made tight, his wood-houses well filled, his farming implements carefully laid up; plenty of wheat in the granary, oats for his horses, hay and straw for his stock. The wintering of stock is a very important matter to the farmer; and more especially now, that from them he derives much of his wealth. Wheat as an article of produce had not been for the last few years at all remunerative; and the intelligent farmer seeing this, had turned his attention to another object, viz., raising stock; such being the case, how necessary is it that all kinds of stock should be cared for now, when no longer able to provide for themselves; their stables should be tight and warm, humanity as well as economy points this out as absolutely necessary; when thus protected they keep their flesh on a less quantity of food. Cattle, especially, are often cruelly treated by exposure, when a simple shed could be made with a few boards, that would answer every purpose. They should not only receive hay or straw, but water, regularly. There should be a pump in every farm-yard.

Hogs should also have a warm sty, though cold does not affect them in the same way that wet does; however, a close sty is preferable,—it is a cruel practice to let hogs shift for themselves in winter. Sheep, being more tender and less able to protect themselves, have a peculiar claim on the farmer,—he should see that they are carefully penned, to protect them from marauding dogs or wolves, and regularly fed and salted. They will repay him well for his care.

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