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2. I recently bought a farm, and noticed in one of the fields several spots of weeds very much resembling the strawberry plant. It grows very thickly, and creeps along the ground, and seems to smother the grass. The under side of the leaf is silvery in appearance. I have not noticed any blossom. Can you tell me what it is, and the best way to kill it?

Ans.—1. It is to be feared that nothing can be done for a cow with three obstructed teats, except to fatten her.

2. The weed mentioned is probably silverweed (Potentilla Anserina). It is found on moist land, and is best controlled by draining the land and plowing down the plants.

#### JUNK-RICH GROUND.

1. What would be a fair price to expect per pound for such junk as rags, bones, bottles (each, or dozen), old iron plow points, etc., rubbers, old rope, lead, brass, copper, horse hair, etc.?

2. A piece of new ground, about three acres, had oats on last year. The oats grew an enormous growth of straw, which lodged so badly it was impossible to cut. This soil is a rich clay loam, the washings of a large ravine. What is this soil rich in, and in what deficient? What kind of market-garden vegetables would do best on such soil, and what kind of fertilizer would you recommend adding?

Ans.—1. A local dealer quotes the following prices: Rags, ½ cent per pound; bones, ½ cent; bottles, 5 cents to 15 cents per dozen; old iron plow points, etc., 40 cents to 50 cents per cwt.; rubbers, 5 cents to 7 cents per pound for boots; old rope, ½ cent to 1 cent per pound; lead, 2 cents per pound; brass, 5 cents to 8 cents per pound; copper, 7 cents per pound; horse hair, 20 cents per pound.

2. The soil is, doubtless, very rich in nitrogen, and probably also in potash, though not likely so rich in the latter as in the former element, but without an analysis there can be no certainty as to this. With soil so rich, almost any kind of vegetables should do well, and might safely be tried at least. As to fertilizers most suitable, it is altogether likely that a complete fertilizer would be best, but on this question the most skilful men are usually least positive. Experiment, they say, and find out.

#### TRADE TOPIC.

MARKETING WOOL .- Sheep - shearing time will soon be on, and then marketing the wool clip. Farmers are not obliged to depend on local dealers, and would do well to make inquiry from firms advertising in "The Farmer's Advocate" for prices before negotiating a sale of this product. For instance, in this issue, Horn Bros. Woolen Co., Lindsay, Ont., call for wool of all kinds, especially fine, unwashed fleeces. From small beginnings, this firm has grown to be one of the largest in Canada, using nearly 15,000 lbs. of white wool each week, making a specialty of white blankets and pure knitting yarns. They use Canadian wools exclusively. Breeders and sheep-raisers will do well to write them for prices and particulars. They prefer dealing with breeders direct, their wool being generally in better condition.

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