

bandry and instructor in veterinary science at Madison, where he will teach this latter subject and live stock judging to students in the Agricultural Course. We wish Mr. Hopkins every success in his new work, and feel sure that he will acquit himself as other Canadians have done who have taken similar positions in American colleges and that is, nobly.

"The Stamp of Success on Every Page."

The Bristol (England) *Times and Mirror* of October 5th, in dealing with Canadian agriculture and in noting the success of the Toronto Fair, makes the following very complimentary reference in regard to the Exhibition number of FARMING. The copy was, however, not sent by the editor of this journal, but must have been forwarded by one of our subscribers interested in advertising Canada abroad:

"By the by, dealing with the success of the Toronto Exhibition reminds us that the editor of *Farming*, one of the best agricultural papers of the Dominion, has courteously forwarded us a copy of the Exhibition number of this publication. The illustrations and matter are admirable, and no one seeing it can be surprised at the great stride it has made in its seventeen years' career. The paper has a sturdy, prosperous look about it and carries the stamp of success on every page."

Why Sows Eat Their Pigs.

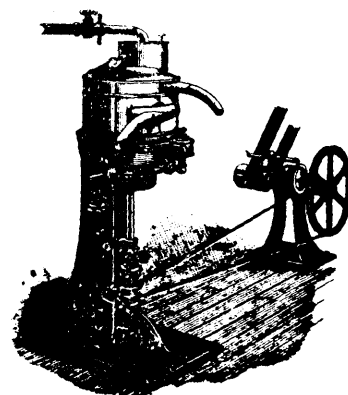
"Why does a sow sometimes destroy and eat her pigs?" There are a good many reasons given for this habit. Among them the following: "Hysteria, something similar to puerperal mania in the human family." "An unnatural craving produced by an unhealthy condition of the body." "An acute thirst due to too much grain being fed, and an insufficient supply of water."

I might give half a dozen other reasons but if investigated to the bottom they will all be found to be due to one cause, "improper feeding of the mother during pregnancy." No sow when farrowing in summer, running in good pasture with plenty of water to drink, ever eats her pigs. It is only when she farrows in winter quarters or in the very early spring after being wintered that this trouble occurs.

It makes me tired to read as I did a few days ago in a western paper devoted to the swine industry such advice as to be sure to "feed a pregnant sow, for a few days before farrowing, a piece of fat pork daily, and if costive to give a dose of salts sufficient to move the bowels and cool the blood." What nonsense! Why not be sensible and tell the owner to make the conditions as near like summer as possible and then feed the sow, not only for a few days or weeks before farrowing, but during the whole period, on a succulent, cooling diet. I will stake my reputation as a farmer that no sow kept in a roomy, warm pen and fed liberally on roots, wheat middlings with a little linseed oil meal

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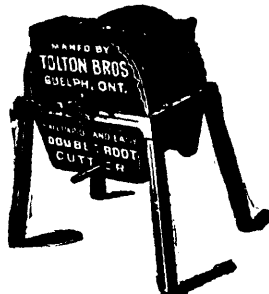
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