

The Farm.

Science and Farming.

Science is constantly investigating certain subjects connected with cattle feeding that help the farmer to understand his work better.

This science has analyzed every kind of food that the dairymen have been in the habit of feeding to their cows, and the result is that the wisdom of experience has been emphasized.

It is a little flattering to have men of science come in and confirm old accepted views, but there is the danger of some reaching the conclusion that after all science is of little real value to the farmer.

Cheese, Fertility and Profit.

There are two points about the cheese business that are worthy of note. Dairying always follows after a long series of years of grain cropping, which sooner or later impoverishes the soil and brings to want the man who indulges in the luxury of riding a gangplough and seeder in the spring and a binder at harvest, and has no time to milk cows.

Value of a Manure Spreader.

A great many writers recommend composting. Others say keep the manure under shelter and fork it over until a well-rotted pile of manure is secured, then haul out after harvest and plough under, or haul out in the spring.

hours and begin to deteriorate. There is nothing in composting. If you have anything to put on the land, put it on and do not keep it six months or a year, as you cannot add one particle of value to it by so doing.

It is a ruinous practice that some farmers have of throwing their manure out into the barnyard and letting it remain for six months or a year, when it will lose over 60 per cent of its value.

Asparagus Bed.

The soil for an asparagus bed should be made rich before planting it. In the first place, the bed should have good drainage, and then it should have dug into it a heavy dressing of old manure.

Don't Cut The Foretop.

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