

the top, the third of 9 added to 7 make 10 for the height : $30 \times 20 \times 10 = 6000 \div 7 = 857 \div 40 = 21-17$.—Answer, 857 trusses, or 21 tons and 17 trusses. Some allowance should be made for the loose outside of the stack, and therefore extreme admeasurement should not be taken. Hay is considered as new for three months, and is called old on the 1st of September.

The Cost of Growing Weeds.

Each plant of common groundsel produces 2,080 seeds ; of dandelion, 2,700 ; of sowthistle, 11,040 ; and of spurge, 540 ; total, 16,360 plants springing from four weeds annually, that will cover just about three acres and a half of land at three feet apart. To hoe land costs, say, 6s. per acre, so that the allowing four such weeds to produce their seed may involve an expense of a guinea. In other words, a man throws away 5s. 3d. a time as often as he neglects to bend his back to pull up a young weed, before it begins to fulfil the first law of nature.

RECEIPTS.

For Rendering Canvas Waterproof and Pliable.

Boil 1 lb. of yellow soap in 6 pints of water, and add the solution, while hot, to 1 cwt. of any paint. When this has been applied and become dry, paint the canvas again with any paint.

For Preserving Out-door Woodwork.

Boil together 1 gallon of coal tar, 2½ lbs. of white coperas, and lay it on hot.

To Clean Carpets.

Two gallons of soft water, 4 oz. of ammonia, ½ lb. of soft soap, boiled together and applied with flannel, and then rubbed with a dry cloth. The above is a good purifier of floors.