

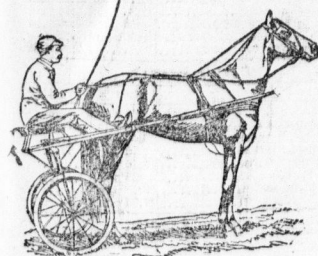


HANDSOME DRIVING MARE.

Prize Winner at the New York Open Air Horse Show.

The illustration, from a photograph, shows a beautiful mare which took the prize as a driving animal at the New York open air horse show.

This handsome creature is 5 years old and belongs to Colonel Lawrence Kip of New York. She is of average size, bay in color. Her owner says the points to



PRIZE WINNING ROAD MARE.

be considered in a road horse as beauty, action, style, speed and intelligence. These the mare in the picture possesses in a high degree. She won the prize in the class for single drivers 4 years old and over. She has made a trial record of 2:23.

Management of a Boar.

Much the most common way is to let the boar run with the sows indiscriminately during the breeding season, but it is not the best way, nor is it best (although better) to have him shut in a pen or lot that is in sight of or alongside the enclosure where the sows are kept. So long as he is where the sows can be seen or come near, especially when any of them are in heat, he is constantly in a wearing, tearing, fever of excitement, on his feet and using his energies and ingenuity to break out. At such times it requires a strong pen to keep him in place, and he should from the first be accustomed to one that there is no probability of his breaking down, for if he once discovers that by perseverance he can get away he is thenceforth doubly troublesome, and in some instances keeping him in place is almost an impossibility.

He should have a comfortable lot, large enough to permit plenty of exercise and some opportunity to root, a well sheltered, dry, sunny sleeping place and be given two or three times daily as much wholesome feed as he will clear up, and it should largely be something besides corn. Oats or rye, ground, with some wheat bran made into a slop, help along with some corn to make a feed that is healthful and a much better balanced ration in every way than is possible in any single article. Of course he is not to be deprived of as much fresh water as he wants, and I would suggest his slops with as liberal proportions of salt as I use in my own feed, notwithstanding the belief held by so many men that "salt is pizen to a hog."

If a pan of wood ashes is thrown to him two or three times a week, he will pick out and eat the bits of charcoal in them with as much relish as the boy does raisins from a Christmas cake, and as a mild corrective drug and "cooling powder" are not to be compared to it. If his tasks become longer or he shows a disposition to make trouble with them—which he may do with deadly effect at the most unlooked for moment—they can quite readily be wrenched off by getting a firm grip on them with a pair of blacksmith's pinchers or cut off with a fine saw.

It is a better way to turn a sow for service in with the boar than to take him among the other hogs. She should then be removed from his sight and hearing. As a rule I would prefer to use a boar not much less than a year old.

In most of the hog raising states it is scarcely prudent, owing to dangers of sudden cold and storms, to have pigs farrowed until the warm days toward the middle of April, so that about the middle of December—not earlier—is a favorable time for the breeding.

Sows that are being bred for the first time can as well be coupled a little later than old ones, because the old sows will usually carry her pigs from 112 to 115 days, while a gilt may farrow any time between 100 and 110 days after service. It is a common belief among many breeders that service of a sow at the beginning of heat will result in a large proportion of female pigs, and that if coupling is not done until the last hours of it more of the pigs will be males, but I have never been able to satisfy myself of its correctness.—Exchange.

Sheep and Swine at the World's Fair.

The sheep and hog show takes place between Sept. 26 and Oct. 14. There will be 1,347 hogs entered for premium, which is a larger number than any European fair could gather. Of sheep there will be 1,755. Canada sends 470 sheep and 90 hogs. One would hardly suppose there were so many breeds of sheep in this country till he glanced over the list of those to be exhibited. There are American Cotswolds, Leicesters, Lincs, Southdowns, Shropshires, Oxford, Hampshires, Dorset Horned, Cheviot, Delaine Merinos, and French Merinos, and just plain merinos without any prefix. These latter are divided into classes A and B. Class A includes merinos that have been bred for fleece alone; class B those bred for both fleece and mutton.

Morris.

At the Oklahoma station at Stillwater they are experimenting with a kerosene emulsion made by dissolving 3 ounces of soap in 3 pints of water and adding 14 pints kerosene. This mixture is agitated until an emulsion is formed and is then diluted to make three gallons. When this is sprayed upon the cattle, it keeps the hornflies away.

Frank Cooper secured first prize in the photograph at the Western Fair. He took at J. E. Brown, on the corner, and examine the display. Engraving made for any day.

HORSE BREEDING.

Its Prospects in the Middle Section of the Union.

The Breeder's Gazette says: That there has been a marked falling off in the demand for stallions of the various draft breeds during the past few years is the testimony of all leading importers and breeders. Importations have practically ceased and sales of pure bred horses—except for those of outstanding merit—have been slow and at a materially lower range of values than were current a few years ago. That service fees should have fallen to a low point as a result of the wide distribution of entire horses—good, bad and indifferent—seeking the pastureage of farmers, is not a matter of surprise, and with a view toward determining what lengths the demoralization of rates had extended and to ascertain also the general feeling in regard to the style of horses most in request this season The Gazette put out a short time since a query calculated to bring out the facts.

Several hundred good farmers and stockmen in the states of Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska were asked to advise us as to the kind of horses most generally patronized by owners of farm mares this season and to indicate the range of service fees. It is clear that service fees have fallen to a figure where the stallion keeper has to do some close figuring to "pay out." Those who have been seduced into paying a big price for a poor horse are of course in an unenviable position. The man who pays a large figure for a really top horse of the quality and choice breeding will come much nearer making a profit in the long run than he who brings in a "poor" simply because he could buy him cheap and stand him at a nominal fee.

Big horses with style and quality are still commanding remunerative prices, as are also fine drivers, trained saddlers and choice coach and carriage stock. It is the great mass of weedy stock—unsound, blundered, poorly bred and underbred horses, devoid of finish and quality, such as result from patronizing cheap mongrel or grade sires—that are a drag on the market.

If we may be allowed to perpetrate "an Irish bull," the kind of horse most in favor in many sections is the mule. Jacks have done a big business in many counties, and we must confess that those who have patronized them have, generally speaking, shown more sense than those who have bred good work mares to scrubby mongrel or nondescript stud horses. The jack is a purely bred sire at least, and one knows just about what to be expected from his service, and the mule is by no means the worst selling animal of the day. From the scrub stallions you do not know what will come, as between them and the jack the latter is to be preferred every time.

A summary of the reports to The Gazette would make the stallion fee in the states named average about \$8. The price ranges all the way from \$2 to \$50. The reports show extremes of mixed breeding that are enough to drive one crazy. Horses in some sections have been nearly ruined by breeding draft mares to trotters. Many common farmers are attempting to get fast trotters, and not one in twenty succeeds, and a flood of horses no good for anything is poured upon the community, sending the price of them down so low that it does not just at present pay to breed a good horse in those localities.

In the midst of the confusion a few fixed conclusions can be arrived at. One is that pure bred, first class draft horses and carriage horses are always in demand, and trotters to a considerable extent, too, if one can be sure they are going to be fast. The Clydesdales, Percherons, French coach horses and trotters are the breeds most popular in the states indicated. There are also some Shires and Belgians, drafts, with a faint sprinkling of thoroughbreds. The Hackney is practically unknown. Little attempt is made to develop breeds of saddle horses.

Pigs Need Fresh Earth.

The pigs ought to have a space of fresh soil that has not been trampled over for several years for the purpose of the stomach and keep the pig healthy. But where the rooting is over land filled with decomposing pig manure the pigs are sure to get some disease, and this is doubtless often the means by which the dreaded trichina is introduced. The pig likes to be cleanly. His rooting in fresh soil for roots and larva of insects does not disprove his preference for cleanliness.—American Agriculturist.

Live Stock Points.

A poultry raiser says he bought three pairs of fancy birds from a breeder of approved reputation and turned them into his chicken house with the rest of his flock. He supposed they were all right from the good name of the fashionable breeder. But in a very short time his whole premises began to fairly crawl off with chicken lice. The vermin had been spread by the six fowls brought in by the breeder. A man who breeds poultry for sale and sends them away covered with vermin—well, he is another man that will never go to heaven.

An old overworked horse always puts one fore foot straight out in front of him when he stands still, as if to rest upon it. Such a horse is a pathetic sight.

The most cattle lost by exposure last winter were, curiously enough, in Louisiana. The cattle were left to run wild and got no care, a severe winter came on, and the owners of those animals lost them through pure neglect.

If a calf bunts the tail over when you are feeding it, don't fly into a rage and kick the calf. That is exactly how it bunts its mother's udder to make the milk give down.

The display of horses and cattle, sheep and swine, at the World's fair will continue every day in the live stock pavilion until the close of the exposition, Oct. 28. One of the most interesting features is the fine display of mules and jacks. The opportunity to compare the Illinois mule with that raised in the south will be a good one. It is to be hoped, too, that the attention of farmers will be attracted more to the possibilities that lie in the working mule. He will be far more valuable on farms than the ordinary small scrub horse.

In the lists of live stock entered for exhibition at the World's fair there are 1,965 head of cattle and 1,017 horses.

Perfectly matched and broken carriage teams from 154 to 16 hands high always command the top price in the horse market.

A writer says that in breaking horses of the Hamiltonian blood great care should be taken not to spoil their mouths or to hurt their dispositions.

Do not breed from fall bred hogs. They are apt to be stunted and made delicate by the cold weather, especially in the north.

You should call and examine the jewelry stock at J. E. Brown, on the corner, and examine the display. Engraving made for any day.

AN ATTRACTIVE DWELLING.

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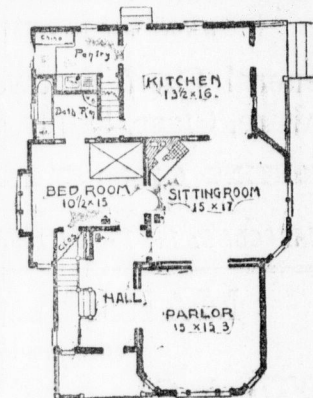
An artistic house that contains many fine features and one that would grace any landscape is here presented. The treatment of the design is very satisfactory, and the elevation is particularly attractive.



PERSPECTIVE VIEW.

while a really well arranged plan makes it one that can be utilized with advantage anywhere.

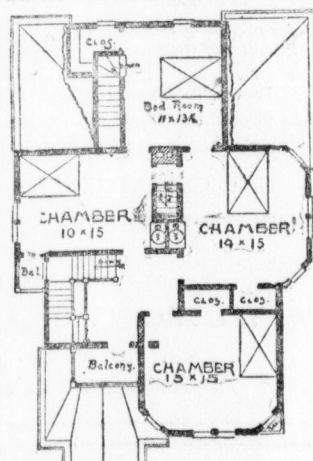
The principal rooms and their size and arrangement can be ascertained by examination of the plans. The dimensions of the house back and front are 34 feet and 34 feet, and the total length is 46 feet. The height of the cellar is 7 feet, of the first story 10 feet, of the second story 8 1/2 feet. The three principal rooms on the first floor are of good size and communicate extra well. The kitchen is quite large and is intended to be used ordinarily as a dining room also, a space in pantry being reserved for a gasoline stove, where most of the cooking will be done. A sink and drain table are in a recess in the pantry. Double folding doors connect the sitting room and kitchen. The back stairway starts off a platform between the kitchen and bathroom, having a door on each side, making a quick exit from the bedroom. The front stairway is of pretty design, forming a small gallery that can be used for flowers, etc. The front of the gallery and the back of the seat are paneled. The front window in the parlor is of plate and stained glass. There is a cellar under the sitting room, bedroom and front hall, reached from the inside by stairs from the pantry.



FIRST STORY.

The foundation is of stone 18 inches thick, with interior cellar walls of brick. The exterior frame is sheathed, papered and covered with half inch pine siding. The timbers are sound and well seasoned—sills, 6 by 8; first floor joists, 2 by 8; for porches, 3 by 10; and 3 by 8 for attic over kitchen; rafters, studding and collar beams, 2 by 4. All the wood is spaced 16 inches from centers. The floor joists to be well bridged. The floors throughout are to be of selected fence flooring, except kitchen and pantry, which are to be of southern yellow pine, all well seasoned and dry when laid. The doors are all stock made, the outside and sliding doors 1 1/2 inches thick, all other interior doors 1 1/4 inch, all principal doors having transoms over them. All two sashed windows to be hung with weights. All single sashed are hung on sash centers to swing out at the bottom. The plastering is three coat work, of best materials and workmanship.

The interior finish for the hall, including the stairway, parlor, sitting room and bedroom, is to be of selected butternut wood, neatly worked and put up. That for the kitchen, pantry and bathroom to be of yellow pine. All the first floor trim is to be finished natural color in hard oil. The second story.



SECOND STORY.

one floor is to be finished in clear white pine and painted. Drawers are placed under the projecting window in the bedroom and in angle of bedroom under the main stairs. The hardware is of good quality and workmanship throughout.

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