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Farm Notes.

An unused hot-bed is an excellent place for pot-plants during very cold weather. A hot-bed in which parsley is grown will provide a supply during the whole winter.

Evergreen hedge plants may be trimmed at this season, and in so doing many basket worms will be cut away, while those remaining can be more easily destroyed.

Do not keep the bee hives too warm. The bees in a hive create warmth by their bodies, and may be induced to come out if the hive is too warm, thus becoming liable to perish from cold.

After your pigs are killed it pays to take up the floors of the pens and engage in rat-killing. Rats are found under nearly all pig pens, as they find all such locations safe from intrusion, with plenty of feed within reach.

The middle of the strawberry rows should have drains, which may be laid off with a plow. This will greatly aid in preventing the unpeaval of the plants by the frost. The drains can be filled up with a cultivator in the spring.

It will be no advantage to hold back the hogs from slaughter if the temperature of the atmosphere will permit of their being put into the pork barrel. After the winter sets in the pork made by keeping the hogs awhile longer will cost too much, as the warmth of the animal must be maintained before any of the food can be transformed into meat.

Tests for the quality of milk is very uncertain. Not only is it difficult to find two cows in the same herd that yield milk of the same quality, but a cow will differ in the quality of her milk to a certain extent daily, according to her condition and appetite. The character of the food also affects the quality of the milk, and to have a herd produce milk of uniform quality is almost an impossibility.

Though known as a fact by the experience of farmers, it has also been established by experiments made for that purpose that the per cent. of food consumed steadily declines as an animal increases in size. In other words, the larger the animal the greater the amount of food required to make a pound of meat. The cheapest and quickest meat made is from young animals that are well fed, rapidly pushed from birth and sold as soon as they reach the proper size.

The food for animals should never be given them in a manner to allow of its being trampled or wasted. Racks should hold the hay and roughs the grain. The waste of food on farms where it is placed before stock without regard to how it will be treated by the animals is very large. It requires but a short time to make bulky feed dirty and unacceptable to animals during damp weather. It is not best to turn the stock loose to help themselves to straw, as is frequently done, far more is sometimes wasted than is eaten.

Ground oats, placed in a pen where the lambs can feed at a trough with a liberal supply of milk from the ewes, will grow sooner than if they depended on the ewes alone, and as this gain in time is an important point to keep in view for the high prices, every inducement should be made to keep the lambs feeding and growing, but the gain will not be rapid unless the lambs are well bred, nor will grades equal the pure breeds. The heaviest gains made have been with Oxford and Shropshires.

The main point to observe with the ewe is that of providing plenty of milk for her lamb.

The early lambs begin to come from January to March, but the ewes require some extra attention at this season if the lambs are to be strong and vigorous. So important is the proportion of nourishment afforded by the ewe after the lamb is dropped that careful farmers will take the lamb from its dam and give it to another ewe to own if the dam does not provide a sufficient quantity, opportunities being usually afforded for so doing when some of the ewes have lost their own lambs. The ewes that are in poor condition, or enfeebled, will produce weak lambs. It is the strong and vigorous lamb that begins to grow from the start and gains daily until it reaches the market, and a few days difference in growth has much to do with the price of an early lamb. The work should begin now by keeping the ewes in good condition (not too fat), and keeping the lambs well supplied with plenty of nourishment.

Lambs, if fed as soon as they will eat, make greater gains in weight than may be supposed, and even when raised in large numbers. At the Ontario Agricultural College 500 grade lambs were purchased, pastured on rape, and then confined in sheds and yards, 16 lambs being in a compartment, 90 being the whole number used for experiment. The average weight of the lambs at the beginning was about 85 pounds, and they were fed on oats, screenings, bran, peas, hay and turnips. They were fed from November to April and averaged 130 pounds. They were sold for \$11.79 per head, and were sent to England, the cost of shipping them being \$4.75 each. This experiment does not show a very large gain, but the weight of the lambs was good considering the fact that they were purchased on the market, while the prices obtained were excellent, and should encourage farmers to produce choice lambs for market. A well bred grade lamb can be made to easily gain 20 pounds a month, and instances are known in which Oxford lambs gained 90 pounds in three months.

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