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Farm Notes

This is a good time to overhaul the seeds for next year. The quality of the seeds often depends on how and where they are kept.

The Texas Experiment Station fed cottonseed meal to hogs, as an experiment, but the results were not favorable, as some of the animals died.

The best place for soapsuds is on the manure heap. A chemical reaction occurs in the heap by the use of the suds, and much of the ammonia will be saved. All liquid wastes can be added to the heap with advantage.

A few carrots given daily to the horses and cows will be considered a luxury by them, and the carrots will greatly benefit them. One of the best modes of providing a natural butter color for the butter is to use carrots for the cows.

If you wish to produce choice table poultry for your own use, try a cross of the Indian game male with Dorking hens. As the chicks are rather tender, compared with some breeds, a greater mortality may occur, but the quality will be superior. The best laying breeds, and the best table fowls, may not be the hardiest.

The manure for the garden should be free from coarse litter. It may be spread on the garden plot. At this season, fresh from the stalls, but if spreading the manure is delayed until spring the manure should then be well rotted. Much will be gained by burning the garden over, and plowing it, if the ground is not frozen, and then plowing again in the spring.

Fattening with corn is the rule with hogs at this season of the year. The mistake made is in feeding nothing but corn, A hog will fatten more readily when given a variety of food, in which corn largely predominates, than if the food is composed exclusively of corn. This fact has been tested, and pork produced by varied food is cheaper and better than from corn only.

No one can buy as good an animal as he can breed unless he knows something of the animal he buys, yet nine dairymen in ten will buy all their fresh cows from any source where the cows be procured. If a cow has just calved it covers all other considerations. No one can buy a cow and know what he is buying if she is to be used in the dairy. She must be tried in order to learn her worth, and even if she proves a good milker she may be vicious and unsafe. The only sure way to have good cows is to raise them.

Although rape is regarded as one of the most valuable crops in England it has received but little attention here. It has been supposed that it would not thrive in America, but the experience of Professor Thomas Shaw, of the Ontario Agricultural College written to the *American Farmer*, should be placed before every sheep breeder.

CULTIVATION.

Rape resembles the Swede turnip in appearance, but has a fusiform root, while that of the turnip is bulbous. It consists almost wholly of stems and leaves, and grows from one to two feet high, producing from 10 to 15 tons of food per acre. It is cultivated in the same manner as turnips—either in drills or broadcast—from one to two pounds of seed per acre being used for drilling, and twice that quantity when broadcasted, the cost of the seed being about 10 cents per pound. The Dwarf Essex is the preferred variety. The ground is first well plowed and harrowed fine, the seed being planted about the first of July, and if drilled in, the best of cultivation should be given, in order to destroy weeds.

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EXPERIMENT WITH RAPE.

The farmers in this section will do well to experiment with rape next season, if only an acre or small plot. It thrives well in Canada, and it has been grown in Virginia, hence it should be well adapted to this section. It can be grown on any land that produces corn or turnips, and if the season is late it continues to grow even into the winter, and matures best in cool weather. Being a late crop, like turnips, it will not be in the way during the busy season of the year, and it grows quickly. The cost of the seed is so little that it will pay any farmer to test it, and if it proves as valuable here as it has in England and Canada it will be a meritorious acquisition to those interested in sheep, and also to stock growers in general. In planning for next season let rape be among the plants that are in the list, as it may result in revolutionizing the methods on some farms upon which sheep and lambs are fattened for market.

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