Farm Notes

-Fruit growers have learned that where pear trees have not been manured or cultivated they have escaped the blight through making but slow growth.

-Corn threshing is practiced in the West. The whole stock is passed through a thresher and comes out like straw, being stored in the barn and fed | When she had Children, she gave them in the same condition as hav.

- New beds of strawberries may be made now, and the plants will become well established before the dry season comes, thus making better growth and throwing out more runners later on.

-This is the kind of weather (such as prevailed during the month) for the sows to come in with young pigs. The pigs will grow off from the first day, and gain rapidly by the time clover is ready.

-Among the vegetables that may be added to the list of garden crops, but which are rarely produced by tarmers, may be mentioned egg plants, salsity, okra and peppers. Variety in the garden is one half of its advantage.

-It is not necessary to warm the drinking water, but it is very important that it be pure, at this season, The water goes into the milk, and when the cows drink from surface water in the fields they pass it to the consumers.

-Do not feed little chicks too heavily or the result will be bowel disease and leg weakness. Three meals a day are sufficient, but a small proportion of millet seed should be scattered over their runs in order to keep them busy scratching. Exercise is as important for them as food.

-The more you can induce the lambs to eat the faster they will grow and the sooner they will reach the market. Ground oats make the best grain food. Place it where they can eat all they desire. Feed the ewes liberally, also, in order to provide the very young lambs with plenty of milk.

-Fruit buds have swollen under the influence of the warm weather, and unless a "cold snap" comes, the prospects in some sections are in favor of large crops. Should trees be well fruited, the young fruit will be benefitted by trimming out about one-half. Good growers are never atraid to thin the fruit on overloaded trees.

-Grain may be sold in the form of meat, butter and milk, and in these froms there will be larger prices realized from the growth and use. The value of grain as a food for stock does not and with the product derived therefrom or market, as it returns a a portion of s matter to the soil in the manure.

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-Begin with the vegetables, but do not attempt to put out the tender kinds too soon. Some crops, such as peas and onions, may be planted early, as they can endure light frosts, but in this climate the rule is not to plant the majority of the crops until the apple trees are in bloom, which usually oc-curs in May. Frosts are liable to destroy crops at any time during April, as a few cold days may follow warm weather.

-Eastern farmers have a great advantage over those of the West in being nearer the great markets, yet they overlook the opportunity which they possess. Instead of growing crops that open the field for more customers they compete with the West in the growing of grain, and on land that is too valuable to be used for such pur pose. Fruit, vegetables, milk, meat and butter open more avenues to profit than grain, but farmers are slow in making changes from the usual routine which has been practiced for years.

-The first symptoms of corn in horses are lameness or a gingerly gait, with a tendency to point when at rest; the step is short, stilty and stumbling. This, however, is often mistaken for a disease of the navicular hone of the foot. The difference in the two can be determined by the way the animal holds his toot. In a case of navicular disease the foot is placed flat on the ground, while with a corn the heel is held raised and the foot pointing. The corn can always be found by parting out the heel. Treatment of a recent and uncomplicated corn consists of removing the flakes of horn over it until the red spot is exposed, and altering the shoe so that while affording protection there is no bearing in the vicinity to cause the animal pain from pres sure. In a foot with low, weak heels a bar shoe may be desirable, but bar shoes and other contrivances which help to reduce the bad results of corns are in other ways seriously objectionahle, and always liable to be a cause of lameness, so that they should not be employed unless absolutely necessary. In a good foot-and the best of feet may be affected—a broad-webbed shoe, chambered at the heel, will generally answer. In some cases leathers are useful to prevent bruising from loose stones. The horse with a corn should have his shoes frequently removed, that the iron heel may press upon its seat as the shoe becomes displaced by the growth of the foot, and because lameness may arise from horn growing thick and hard over an old corn.

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