

Farm Notes.

(Growing pigs need to run about to strengthen their muscles and to keep them from becoming too fat as many of them will become diseased and die.

It is estimated that grain fed to suckling lambs designed for the butcher at an early day pays at the rate of \$2 a bushel for corn, anywhere in the Eastern and Middle States.

Of all the friends that the farmer and horticulturist has, in the way of insects, not one stands ahead of the ladybug. They are the lions among insects; they live wholly on insects.

It is now affirmed that kerosene is not a sure agency for destroying lice, but that if a gill of crude carbolic acid is added to each pint of kerosene, before the emulsion is made, it will destroy all forms of lice.

Is your horse well shod, and does his harness fit him? If not, put on a pair of boots one size too large or small, and let down one suspender, and find out for yourself how he feels, says a horseman.

Occasionally a cow may be overfed, but in the majority of cases the cows on the average farm are not fed liberally enough and this explains why so many otherwise good cows gradually fail in their milk giving as soon as cold weather sets in.

All diseased wood of trees should be removed in the fall, and trees may be saved if the diseased parts are carefully removed and burned. Black knots, blight and fungous diseases must be prevented by fire or they will spread out every season.

Keep the tools not in use under shelter, out of the sunshine. The hot sunshine is as damaging to the wood-work of farm implements and machinery as rain. Keep the harrow and cultivator teeth as well as the ploughshares bright and free from rust.

Nothing is gained by raising large hogs. The market demands hogs of about 150 pounds each, and such pork can be produced quickly by turing the pigs on clover and feeding corn later on. They bring better prices proportionately than large hogs, and are always in demand.

Shade trees should be considered from an ornamental standpoint, and usefulness, as well as for periods of life. Something depends on the soil and on insect attacks. The oak, maple, hickory and chestnut are desirable, the maple being the more rapid grower. The common chestnut is superior to the horse chestnut.

An orchard is not put out properly if nothing is done but digging a hole for each young tree. The land should be deeply plowed and the tree planted in a manner to allow plenty of room for the roots to be spread out. A little extra care in setting out the young trees will add materially to their future progress.

Rye as a grain food for hogs is considered excellent, promoting growth and increasing the proportion of lean meat compared with corn-fed hogs. Rye is also a grain that can be produced on poor soils where other grains will not thrive, and as it is sown in the fall does not entail a heavy expense for labor or interfere with any other crops.

Turn the sheep on the corn stubble as soon as it can be done. They will eat the weeds and crab grass which remains. Usually when a field of corn is harvested and cleared off the land seems well covered with growth, especially of crab grass, and the sheep will find a large share of their food thereon, as well as greatly assist in clearing the field.

Change the pastures of sheep occasionally, they will appreciate it and show beneficial effects therefrom. A pasture upon which they have been kept during the whole summer, and which has been closely cropped and trodden by them, will provide but little for them unless they are removed for awhile. Sheep prefer changes of location, and will find something to consume on any plot. Good mutton sheep must have rich pastures.

Grass at this season, being matured or nearly so, is less succulent than in the spring, and the animals may require lined meal to prevent costiveness. Work horses and oxen, which are kept at work, will keep in better health than the other animals, the exercise promoting their appetites. The object in feeding should be not only to provide a sufficiency, but to avoid any kind of bowel disease. Succulent food should be fed whenever it is possible to do so.

The seeds that are bought bring weeds on the farm in the fall to spring up next spring. Clover seed, wheat and rye may contain seeds too small to be noticed, unless by careful inspection. Farmers who neglect to destroy weeds may entail labor upon an entire neighborhood, as some seeds are easily carried to distances by winds. An association among farmers for mutual cooperation against the spread of weeds would save thousands of dollars in the labor required for their extermination.

Tests in feeding show that it requires about four and one-half times as much weight of potatoes as of cornmeal to secure equal results from hogs, and the potatoes must be cooked. Considering that the tops of potatoes cannot be used as food, while corn produces a large proportion of fodder, corn is a better farm crop than potatoes, but in proportion to yield and value of the grains and tubers potatoes are the more profitable. It is fodder that gives corn such an advantage over other crops.

FIRST ACTION—SECOND ACTION—THIRD ACTION.

So said the wise Athenian. We shall be wise to follow his advice in many matters; in none more so than in grappling with a cold or with dyspepsia; or in seeking relief from consumption in its earliest stages. It is absolutely useless to sit down and bemoan our bad fortune. We must act—act—act. The first and most imperative action necessary is to procure a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. The second action will be to use it. The third action will naturally follow—we shall proclaim abroad its virtues.

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The editor of a newspaper that has adopted phonetic spelling in a measure, received a postal card from an old subscriber in the country which read as follows: "I hev tuk your paper for seven years, but if you kant spel eny better than you hev been doin for the las to months you may jest stopit."

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Two thousand visiting and local letter carriers were present at the Academy of Music to-night when a public reception was given to the 500 delegates. President McGeoy, of the Keystone (Philadelphia) branch of the National association presided, and seated upon the stage were Postmaster General Wilson; Postmaster Dayton, of New York; and Carr, of Philadelphia, and other prominent heads of postal service throughout the country.

Chairman McGeoy formally welcomed the delegates to this city to which C. C. Cowden, of Cleveland, president of the National association, responded. The Philadelphia letter carriers chorus sang several selections, and the Postmaster Carr and Mayor Warwick, of Philadelphia delivered brief addresses of welcome. The principal address of the evening was made by Postmaster General Wilson.

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