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FARM NOTES.

The farmers of the United States were at one time greatly discouraged over the low price of wool, and the number of sheep was rapidly reduced, but the disaster that farmers were compelled to meet was really one of the blessings in disguise, as they discovered that they had depended solely upon a product of sheep, instead of making sheep pay in several ways. While there are many farmers who believe that the finewool sheep are profitable, yet the majority of those interested in sheep are turning their attention to the mutton breeds, which not only produce wool, but also grow to afford superior lambs for market and enrich the land. Investigation of the sheep industry by the Department of Agriculture shows that this country does not supply itself with mutton. In four years Canada sent over 1,500,000 sheep to this country, valued at \$5,000,000, and this importation of mutton sheep still continues, although a heavy duty must be paid thereon, while Canadian mutton is also produced on higher-priced feeds and lands than prevail in this country. During the past year over 175,000 sheep came in from Canada at Buffalo alone. It is not true that sheep are suited to inferior lands only, as they will give a profit on valuable land, which is demonstrated by the fact that in England and Scotland, where rents are high, the best lands are devoted to sheep. In this country the average is about 25 sheep on 1000 acres, while in Scotland the average is 1380 sheep per 1000 acres, England sustaining 680 sheep on 1000 acres. In this country we have made wool the special object in keeping sheep, but in England and Scotland the wool is secondary, the object being choice mutton and the use

of mutton breeds only. Compared with the quality of the mutton sold in the English markets this counsome leading market, and yet the same quality of mutton is found in every market here, coming as it does from cross-bred merino and common sheep, would be almost unsalable in Europe, and yet we have allowed the opportunity of securing large profits to pass by in the vain effort to make wool pay instead of mutton. Fortunately, our farmers are fast becoming aware of the mistakes of the past, and the best specimens of Oxfords, Hampshires, Shropshires and country, with the result that with fewer ever before. Many experiments have been to give farmers full information regarding their use, the Iowa Experiment Station having conducted a series of experiments so valuable that the Department of Agrisults to all sections, which will no doubt greatly assist in fostering the breeding of sheep are self-supporting, as the keeping of sheep on hill-sides and with liberty to roam at will, producing wool but inferior carcasses, is not profitable compared with providing the sheep with shelter, good pasturage, grain and special care when the lambs come in. It is possible that more expense our best retail stores. The softer colorings, must be incurred with the mutton breeds such as brown, dark gray and a dull red than with the fine-wool sheep, but the crossed by lines of colorings only a trifle profits will be larger and less land will be lighter or darker than the background will be required for obtaining the same profit as

old, will weigh 400 pounds, live weight, if pushed from the start, and yearling rams often reach 300 pounds, but they must have rich pastures and given plenty of grain. A full allowance of hay will be sufficient with but little grain, but some of the mutton breeds will consume over two pounds of grain each per day. An experiment with lambs showed that 109 lambs of various breeds consumed 34,501 pounds of food in 90 days and gained 4678 pounds, while seven selected individuals of the breeds consumed 23,792 pounds of food and gained 3281 pounds. The gain was at the rate of one pound increase in live weight for each 7.37 pounds of food (dry matter) of all breeds tested, and one pound for each 7.25 by the seven special breeds, the food consisting of corn, oats, bran, oil meal, pound for the selected breeds and 2.93 cents for the others. This does not include the fleece, labor or manure. The lambs sold at \$4.75 per 100, live weight, and the year-lings at \$4.25. Shropshire yearlings dress-ed over 62 per cent. Where early lambs are gotten into market the prices received to the flock. In summer give the sheep good pastures and grain; in winter feed a variety of food, using plenty of hay and grain, and give them comfortable quarters

-It has been demonstrated that heifers fed on bran, clover and an occasional ration of linseed meal will grow much more rapidly than when given corn or cornmeal, though they will not be as fat as those which may be allowed corn. The reason is that bran, clover and linseed meal contain a large proportion of the elements that produce muscle and bone, the food therefore promoting growth rather than fat, although they also contain sufficient fat and starch for the supply of the animals.

-Last year it was made known that the fruit buds on peach trees could be retarded in opening by "whitewashing," and last microbes. In surgery, and for that matter spring the results were very satisfactory. The trees are sprayed in December, with three subsequent sprayings in order to keep the trees whitewashed. The whitened buds will remain dormant until April, but if not sprayed they may open in Feb-ruary or March. The cost is about 10 cents whitewash of four parts water and two parts skimmed milk, with enough freshly slaked lime to have it of a consistency that will permit of sprying it on the trees.

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FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

True politeness is perfect ease and freedom. It simply consists in treating others just as you love to be treated yourself.

In order to keep the teeth in good condition absolute cleanliness is necessary, and they should be brushed night and morning with some good powder. Here is an excellent one: Take half an ounce each of powdered orris root and prepared chalk and add to them one teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda. Mix thoroughly. The soda acts as an antacid and neutralizes the acids of the mouth, while the chalk and point pour it over the volks and stir well.

was considered a company dessert and was always served in the very best glass dish that the family possessed. To make it, take one quart of rich milk and put it on to scald in a porcelain-lined sauce-pan. Take the yolks of five eggs and beat them until light then add a teaspoonful of vanilla and two tablespoonfuls of granulated sugar. When the milk has reached the boiling point pour it over the volks and stir well.

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Washing the hands in cold water in winter time will always make them coarse. Always take lukewarm water and and a few drops of benzoin, ammonia or borax. Use oatmeal in place of soap occasionally, as this has a whitening effect.

Have you noted the clever new hoods on many of the capes and ulsters? It is in reality a cape turned up three inches round the shoulders and run round with a long cord ending in tassels. When the cord is unloosed the arrangement hangs as a pointed hood. One in deep blue, with yoke of heavy black lace, is bordered with sable. In plaid homespun there is no trimming save the cord. The cheapest is \$75.

The most prominent tints in the category of the new fall shades are willowgreen, banana-yellow, peri-winkle-blue, bronze-brown, an effect produced by mingling peacock-colorings with mulberry red-dish-purple and many shades of helios. Automobile red will be popular also. For tailor gowns, however, gray takes the lead, as it did during the summer. The shade used is called graphite gray. It comes in beiges, camel's hair, long-haired cheviots and serges; also in broadcloth. These gray gowns are for street and church wear, and are made up in jacket and skirt style or in sugar and put it on the range until it melts try is deficient. Occasionally a prime carcass is sold at high prices on the stall of some leading market, and yet the same signers and dressmakers, skirts remain if desired. Serve cold. without fullness or draping. In other words in Great Britain; in fact, the mutton sold the top of the skirt is still glove-fitting, though the length, even of tailor-mades, has increased, and the fullness at the lower edge is more pronounced than ever in really handsome costumes. The flounce en forme is a prominent feature of some of the broadcloth gowns. It is not the Dewey flounce, with which we are familiar, but a circular addition about fourteen inches deep and is added beneath rows of cloth other breeds of mutton sheep have been se- strapings or of soutache, and is recognized lected in England and imported into this as a flounce, only by sharp eyes. As for country, with the result that with fewer waists, the blouse style is little seen; neversheep than ten years ago the value of the theless, with the exception of tailor-mades, sheep in the United States is greater than there are few darts used, the fullness thus produced being retained by the band of the made in feeding the mutton breeds in order to give farmers full information regarding companies many dresses. These are broad, loose and are jeweled or beaded, and fasten at the back beneath two clasps, continue to follow the waist as far as the hips, then culture is sending out bulletins of the re- descend to the front in a point about six inches below the waist. This is the Sarah Bernhardt effect, and allows the robe to be mutton sheep. It is not to be overlooked that farmers must abandon the belief that place. This style relieves the pit of the stomach from pressure and is hygienic as

originated in Shakespeare's imagination, or merely had reference to soap and water luster rather than the reflex of spiritual content, for there are surprisingly few men, women or children who get anything like a shining face until the morning has merged well into the afternoon. To get out of the bed on the wrong side is said to be responsible for much of the gloom that clouds the morning countenance, but I believe it is due more to habit than any particular ex-

traneous circumstance governing it. Women more than either men or children are most prone to this morning distemper, and the girl who comes to breakfast really bright and happy is a rarity, as the members of many households can testiturnips, mangels, pea hay, clover hay and timothy, the average gain being a little over half a pound a day. The cost of the gain in live weight was 2.88 cents per house too cool or the day too hot; she wants muffins when they have rolls, and answers grumply the greetings of the other members of the family. She is not a joyous item of the early day and her father is glad to escape to his office to avoid the lowering looks and slovenly appearance that will all be changed by the time the evening meal arrives. He knows, but it is are sometimes very high, and the growth of the lambs is promoted by liberal feeding and care. The object in calling attention to the mutton breeds is to show the imput to the mutton breeds in the mutton breeds is to show the imput to the mutton breeds in the mu portance of feeding lambs and sheep instead of depending on cheap lands and scanty pastures. One breeder reports that it paid him to feed three times a day, but it is not necessary to devote so much time to feed the feed three times a him to her, that is certain. Let her fight against it at its first appearance, resolving that if she cannot be as obviously pleasant as in the evening she will at least present a sin the evening she will at least present a cheerful countenance and secure for herself a shining morning face that will be an inspiration and not a depression to those who

must look upon it at the breakfast table. One cannot help noticing that the smart milliners are trimming autumn hats with soft breast feathers instead of with the quills we wore last season. The breast feathers are soft and downy and far more beautiful in themselves than the stiff quills. No one will grieve that quills have been supplanted at last. For many months they had it all their own way.

When we speak of clean hands in everyday life we are using only a relative term. Washing the hands with ordinary soap and water leaves the hands clean to all appearpotash soap, 10.2 per cent; pure olive oil, 0.8 per cent; glycerine, 1 per cent; alcohol, 43 per cent, and water, 45 per cent. This per tree, When whitewash was used 80 per cent. of the buds passed safely through the winter, while only 20 per cent. of those not whitewashed survived. Make the does not hurt the skin, saves time, is not poisonous, is odorless and is cheap.

> Every woman who wants to look chic should remember that nothing brings out that effect so effectually as a touch of black. It is said that French women always wear a bit of it somewhere with every gown.

Some Attractive Desserts.

FLOATING ISLAND. Among the favorite desserts in vogue in the time of our grandmothers was the delicate custard known as floating island. This was considered a company dessert and was point pour it over the yolks and stir well. Stand away in a cool place. Shortly before the dessert is to be served begin to beat the whites of the eggs. Add to them two tab-lespoonfuls of granulated sugar and a tea-spoonful of currant jelly, and beat all to-gether for half an hour until the whites are so stiff that they will slide readily from the dish on which they were beaten. By this time the custard will be perfectly cold, then put the whites over the top in moulds.

BROWN BETTY.

Select tart, juicy apples for this dessert. Slice and spread a layer over the bottom of the baking dish, then spread over them a layer of bread crumbs, a teaspoonful of su-gar, some lumps of butter and some ground cinnamon. Over this put another layer of sliced apples, bread crumbs, etc., adding layer after layer until the dish is full, the top layer being of bread crumbs. Over all pour a cupful of water and put into a hot oven until well cooked and browned. Serve with fairy sauce or with a wine sauce if preferred. Serve hot.

CARAMEL CUSTARD.

Take the yolks of five eggs and beat them until well mixed. Add to them two tablespoonfuls of granulated sugar and some and bake. Serve cold with a sauce made of caramel. To make this, take a cupful of and browns. Do not add any water to it, but a few drops of lemon juice may be used

CHARLOTTE RUSSE.

The materials required for charlotte russe are half a box of gelatine, one pint of cream one cupful of pulverized sugar, one teaspoonful of vanilla, half a pound of lady fingers and half a gill of sherry. Soak the gelatine in cold water for half an hour, then pour over it one gill of hot milk. Whip the cream until very light. Beat the whites of two eggs to a stiff froth. Mix the sugar, cream and eggs together, then add the gelatine and milk last. Split the lady fingers and line a dish with them. Pour in the mixture and stand on the ice to cool quickly.

A NICE BATTER PUDDING.

Take two even cupfuls (scant pint) of flour and sift them, stir in one pint of milk one teaspoonful of salt, a small pinch of soda and four eggs, the whites and yolks separately. When well mixed put into a well buttered baking dish and bake for three-quarters of an hour, and serve in the pudding dish just as soon as it is taken from the oven. Serve with a sauce made of half a cupful of butter mixed with one The present sheath shape of skirts is singularly adapted to plaids, which are again much in evidence on the counters of our best retail stores. The sefter colories

Where No Women Dwell.

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Beecher's Retort to Ingersoll.

Beecher and Ingersoll were always great friends. Mr. Beecher had a celestial globe in his study a present from some manufacturer. On it was an excellent represen tation of the constellations and stars which compose them. Ingersoll was delighted with the globe. He examined it closely and turned it round and round. "It's just what I wanted," he said; who made it?" "Who made it!" repeated Beecher; "who made this globe? Oh, nobody, Col-

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