

FARM NOTES.

Many farmers know that out hay, or even straw, wet and sprinkled with meal, is a better feed for working horses than whole grain and hay.

Diseases are often communicated by feeding animals in stalls which have been occupied previously by diseased stock.

The currant and gooseberry worms that consume the leaves of the currant and goose berry, leaving the bushes bare of foliage will weaken the bushes so much that the berries will not ripen—often the bushes being sometimes killed by them.

Like all biennials, the burdock is easily destroyed in cultivated fields. It is in by-places, as fence sides, lanes, corners around the buildings, pastures and the borders of woodlands that burdocks give trouble.

Somebody writes to complain of the effect of separator milk on young calves, causing scours or indigestion. The trouble was not with the milk but its condition.

There is one valuable advantage of keeping poultry on the farm that is generally overlooked, and that is the vast number of insects destroyed by them.

The active guinea is ever on the search over the fields for insects. It does not scratch, but every blade of grass is looked over, and it rarely comes up to the barnyard to seek food.

It is often difficult for one to choose between making less butter and having calves grow less. Experiments show, however, that, if properly done, a cheaper fat than cream can be added to skimmed milk with good results.

Tests by the Maryland Experiment station show that cooking milk in this manner detracts considerably from its digestibility. Ordinary fresh milk has a digestive coefficient of 94.57 per cent, while milk cooked for 30 minutes at a temperature of 190 degrees F. has a digestive coefficient of 87.26 per cent.

Big drooping hats, long shoulder seams and wide sleeves will mark the summer girl of 1903 as well as the revival of the style of 1850.

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FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

The clever woman uses a lemon to clean her last year's straw hat. With a new, stiff, nail brush dipped in the clear lemon juice rub the hat well.

Bolero shaped corsets reign supreme and appear in many varied and original fashions. Sometimes because their trimmings appear out up at the back of the waist, and in other cases the waist line is marked by a belt; a smart costume that has just been finished by one of the big dress-makers in a black and red miniature checked voile was garnished with tabs of bright red cloth on the skirt, arranged to head a series of pleats at intervals on either side of a broad pleat in front which appeared decorated with tiny red silk buttons.

Even though you may not be prosperous adopt as far as possible the appearance of prosperity. It is sound capital and will bring good interest in the long run.

Benten Biscuit.—Two quarts of sifted flour, a teaspoonful of salt, a tablespoonful of sweet lard, one egg. Mix with half a pint of milk, or if milk is not to be had, with cold water.

I have struggled with hard-wood floors for a decade, and have known for only two years how to treat them properly.

Double and triple skirts are only allowable for one who is very tall. They are certainly accessories if one desires to take a few inches from one's height.

Cut is the most important part of it all, and outside the Frenchly little blouses that figure on the lovely imported broadcloths the most awkward thing is the padded coat.

As for the ethereal creations, the great idea seems to be to shirr wherever it is possible and cover up the rest with appliques of lace. One lovely organdie after being done in this fashion is topped off with the newest in collars. This collar has stole like ends, adorned with lace at the front.

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The president of the company about 30 years ago engaged in farming. He amassed a fortune variously estimated at from \$300,000 to \$500,000. His three sons are the other members of the company.

Miller was under bond at the time of his death for alleged connection with the murder of George C. Montgomery, a Santa Fe detective. He was to have been tried at the June term of the court.

Miller had made and lost a fortune in Western Kansas. The failure of a commission firm in Kansas City, a sudden drop in the price of cattle and trouble with the Santa Fe over the loss of stock for which he could not recover damages for years had at one time worked together to destroy the accumulations and the work of years.

When he was suspected of complicity in the murder of George C. Montgomery he definitely decided anyone to charge him with the offense, but talked freely about the dead man, whom he had bitterly hated in life.

An Unknown Land.

Parts of Old Roman Empire Which No Modern Traveller has Ever Seen.

Few people appreciate the fact that today, at the dawn of the twentieth century, there are still parts of the old Roman Empire where no traveller of modern times has been; that there are ancient towns that no lover of classic architecture has delighted in, inscriptions in ancient Greek that no savant has as yet deciphered—whole regions, in fact, full of antiquities for which no Baedeker has been written, and which are not shown upon the latest maps.

To realize the truth of this, one needs only to cross the ranges of mountains that run parallel to the eastern coasts of the Mediterranean, and, avoiding all caravan routes, journey independently about the barren country that lies between these mountains and the Euphrates.

A Dozen Don'ts

- Don't ask all and give nothing. Don't live a lie in the expectation that it will never be found out. Don't waste time in vain regrets if hurting will repair the mistake. Don't forget that if you listen to gossip you have no right to complain when you are its subject. Don't let a dollar get so large in your sight that you cannot see around it. Don't give advice that you are not willing to follow. Don't growl about your neighbor's chicken if your dog howls all night. Don't get the idea into your head that money will buy true friendship. Don't stub your toe twice on the same nail. Don't buy this week's groceries with next week's salary. Don't ask God to lighten your burdens until you are ready to give Him credit for your joys. Don't imagine that every man who gives this kind of advice spends all of his time doing as he tells you to do.

Dragged to Death by a Colt.

Girl Had Rope Fastened Around Her Waist and Could Not Loosen It.

Miss Rena Webster, 20 years old, living near Rome, N. Y., was dragged to death last Tuesday by a fractious colt.

The colt's halter had a long rope attached which was wound about Miss Webster's waist. Of a sudden the colt took fright at something and before the girl could loosen the rope she was yanked from her seat by the runaway colt and dragged along the rocky highway more than a quarter of a mile.

"Miscellaneous" Priest Left \$37,000. Lawyers who have just completed an adjustment of the estate of the Rev. Joseph Albiner, pastor of the Roman Catholic church of Our Lady of Victory, at Mount Vernon, N. Y., who died five years ago, found that Father Albiner, who was called a miser and went about the streets of Mount Vernon in rags, left \$37,000. Of this amount \$30,000 in gold was in safe deposit vaults in New York.

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