

FARM NOTES.

Although the subject of sheep management is being discussed in all sections, yet the number of sheep in this country is small compared with the opportunities offered by sheep in the matter of affording a profit...

SHEEP AS FORAGERS.

Sheep are perfect weed killers, for not a single plant escapes them, and it is in late summer, when the crops are harvested, that sheep begin their duties as scavengers. Not that it is intended to imply that they must be content with refuse matter of an obnoxious kind...

Farm News and Views.—Like all biennials, the burdock is easily destroyed in uncultivated fields. It is in by-patches, as fence sides, lanes, corners, around the buildings, pastures and the woods, that burdock gives trouble. But even in these they are not difficult to destroy.

The milk of dairy cows tests all the way from 2.5 per cent. butter fat up to 6 per cent. Some of the great Holstein-Friesian cows when yielding as much as 100 pounds of milk a day, give a fluid which is as low as 2.5 per cent. of fat, or even somewhat lower in few cases.

The plants of golden-rod are very liable to escape through the teeth of the cultivator, and these should be pulled up by the roots entire, if possible. If not destroyed with the cultivated crop they will appear next year in the sown grain.

When the farm fails to produce the crops that once were easily grown upon it is the best course to pursue to restrict the acreage. Cultivate only half the space, or even less, and concentrate all your manure on it.

The growth and spread of noxious weeds is decidedly on the increase. There are more kinds than there were 50 years ago. One reason, probably, for this is that the most of the seeds of grain and grass were grown on the farm, and were saved in a purer condition than are seeds now used.

Corn fodder is receiving more attention as food for fast horses. If pulled when just turning yellow, and cured on the stalks in bundles, where they will not lie on the ground, the blades will be free from dirt, and therefore more suitable for those animals that are subject to heaves.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

When we have failed we should not spend a moment in regret; regret is vain and useless. We should turn instantly and with resolute energy to the saving of what is left. There is always another chance, even down to life's latest moment in this world.—J. E. Miller.

Tucks and Medallions.—A hammock frock of the moment is of soft-finished gingham in a soft light green shade. This color and the book its fair wearer is holding combine to remind one of the rhyme about the book and the shady nook.

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