

FARM NOTES.

The report is that mutton-eaters are not getting a square deal from the retail butchers. Sheep are selling at \$3.50 to \$4 a hundred pounds cheaper now than a year ago, and the wholesale price of mutton has declined proportionately, but the retailers are charging just as much for mutton as they did a year ago.

The Bureau of Animal Industry has developed a sort of equine breakfast food, composed of coconut and peanut meals. A bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture describes the results obtained by trying the mixture on ten Morgan yearlings and four dark horses on the Bureau's horse farm near Middlebury, Vt. At a conclusion of a recent test of this economic diet, the savings in cost were reported at \$15.75 per ton of mixture.

The sun is fast gaining in power, and in a short time animals of all kinds will feel the heat—a condition which will be continued and increased more or less for months to come. It is the duty of every animal owner to take steps that will add to the comfort of the dumb beasts under his care. An atmosphere that is broiling will trouble them considerably, and when no shady place can be had to keep them from the effects of the scorching sun they will become very restless. Horses can stand the sun probably more than any other animal, but nevertheless, they fully appreciate the shade. Cows become much harassed by the heat, and show it largely in their milk flow. It will be noticed, on the evening of a hot day, that the supply has fallen off in many cases a decided decrease. The cows, too, lose in condition. In young cattle the depression is not so much noticed, but, notwithstanding, they suffer equally. Sheep feel it intensely, and often pant and gasp for breath. Pigs show their suffering by coming extremely unhappy, and suffer greatly from scorched skins. Excessive heat is a decided disadvantage, and there is no getting away from it, as it will occur, except in gaining relief in shady places. So, then, it is important that these be provided.

On many farms there are sheds here and there in the fields. These are excellent conveniences, and should be made as much use of as possible. Indeed, considering how very useful such erections are as shelters in winter, the cost of erection is well repaid. Posts, boards and zinc roofs are the materials required. When they are put up it should always be in a central spot, so that the stock from several fields can make use of them. But many owners cannot see their way to go to the expense. In that case the shade of trees is the only substitute, and this proves very useful. Files are not partial to shady places, and to get away from these is a great relief. Trees, however, are not to be found in every field; but there are few farms in which they do not occur in some fields, and the greatest attention should be given to arranging the stock to occupy these in the daytime in hot weather. Such protection goes far toward maintaining their condition and assuring their progress than anything else that could be done for them under the circumstances.

Fields with no shade are most suitable for night grazing. Besides the worry to the stock, unshaded fields often cause trouble to the owner, as the animals will get restless and rush through the fences. There is almost sure to be some disturbances on the laws of fencing. If no shade is available anywhere, the stock should always be kept near the farmyard in the daytime, and allowed to go into the buildings when disposed, which will be very often in hot weather.

THE SUPPLY OF WATER.

The water supply is of equal importance, or, indeed, more so, as a supply to them is imperative. The most acceptable of all is a running stream. Wherever this occurs, every effort should be made to let as much of the stock have access to it as possible. All the grazing fields may not adjoin the streams, and if arable ones come between it often pays to wire off a gangway along the side of the field to admit them to water. Indeed, labor is well spent in securing a full supply. Sheep suffer the least from a deficiency of drinking water, and horses and cattle the most. Pools that are kept clean and shaded with trees are the most acceptable supply, but when the contents are hot and dirty the thirst may be quenched and they drink with apparent relief, but this is of more or less magnitude are apt to follow, and if there is a dirty pool most convenient, and a clean one far away, it will be the cheapest in the end to give more time and attention to admitting them to the clean.

Where water has to be supplied in tanks and tubs it should all be secured from the cleanest source in the vicinity. Driving the stock a long way once or twice a day to water seems a handy form of treating them, but it is very tiresome to the animals and takes a lot of their time. It would be far better, and much labor saved, to keep a water cart going. In supplying water in tubs, etc., these should always be placed in the shade to prevent evaporation, and no water should ever be allowed to remain in them so long as to stink.

Those who run short of keep and have to send some of their stock away to graze should always inspect the fields they are going into, and besides satisfying one's self on food being sufficient, be quite sure the water supply is ample and avoid all that is not.

To carry stock through the summer months without allowing them to have access to shade amounts to a tremendous handicap in making cheap gains and getting growth at the least possible cost. As suggested, artificial shade may be made temporarily, and for hogs especially, this is absolutely necessary. Cattle can stand the heat better than hogs or sheep, but even in that case a little shade contributes immensely to their thrift.

This whole matter of shade and water supply is one that must be taken into consideration by every man, not after, but before he accepts the policy of raising stock on anything like a large scale. Where water has to be hauled, even in dry seasons, and when the supply is short at those times of the year when the farm is heavily stocked, an entirely different policy ought to be carried out than would be the case were the water supply abundant. If there is any place where the policy of grain farming, as distinguished from stock farming is applicable, it is in those cases where shade is lacking and where water is scarce.

KNOW DE QUINCEY'S WORKS.

Choate Was Better Posted on Them Than the Author Himself.

Many years ago James T. Fields, the publisher, was making a collection of the writings of De Quincey. The essays were widely scattered in various periodicals and were often hard to identify. Mr. Fields knew Rufus Choate as a devoted student of De Quincey and wrote him one day asking his opinion as to a certain article. Was it by De Quincey or not?

Mr. Choate replied that it certainly was. There could be no mistaking the style of the piece. A few weeks later Mr. Choate received through Mr. Fields a letter from De Quincey denying absolutely and somewhat indignantly the authorship of the article. But Choate was not of the stuff to yield his opinion for a trifle like that. He wrote to Mr. Fields: "I still believe that De Quincey wrote the essay, De Quincey to the contrary notwithstanding."

Months elapsed. One day there came a letter from De Quincey containing a humble apology for his previous blunder. By chance he had found in his desk the manuscript of the very article in question. Written as it had been years before, it had passed entirely from his mind, "and you may tell your young Boston lawyer," he concluded, "that he knows my style better than I know it myself."

OUT FOR THE FEES.

Corporation Directors Want Their Rights and Usually Get Them.

A large corporation held a directors' meeting a few days ago. As the meeting was coming to a close one of the directors, reputed to be worth \$10,000,000, ran in all out of breath. Just as he entered the other directors were making their exit, says the Hartford Courant. "Look here," the incoming director shouted to the chairman, "I want to know why I haven't received notice of this meeting."

"I am sure I don't know," the chairman said. "Notices were sent to all directors. You surely must have received one." The director flushed up an excited trade by saying, "I want my rights." Just then the secretary was brought into conference, who in turn handed the late director an envelope. He departed with a smiling countenance. This recalls the story of a New York corporation where \$20 for each director was laid on the table and those who attended divided the whole pile. If half came each got \$40. The members were men far advanced in years and in riches. One day it stormed violently when a meeting was to be held. The executive officers did not believe a single director would be there, but every man of them was on hand, each having figured out that nobody else would appear and that he might swipe the entire allowance.

On a Grain of Wheat. Prayers have been written and engraved on many small objects, but only one person ever has been patient and painstaking enough to inscribe a complete prayer on a grain of wheat. One day Sir Moses Montefiore received a small tin box in the mail. On the cover of the box was written, "A prayer for Sir Moses Montefiore, by Bauch Mordecai, son of Zebi Hirsch Scheinmann of Jerusalem." The box contained a single grain of wheat, on which were inscribed in characters so small they could only be read with the aid of a powerful microscope the 386 Hebrew letters of the prayer and the date of the year (Hebrew reckoning), 5645. Sir Moses kept the prayer in his private desk until he died, and it is preserved with religious care by one of his friends.

Merry-go-round. Coming across the Revere Beach ferry were two men whose antics attracted considerable attention. The younger would step around to the right side of his companion, and within a minute the elder would make a corresponding shift. At last the elder became irritated. "Say, what are you trying to do, shifting around like this?" he demanded. "I'm deaf in my left ear and was trying to get where I'd hear well," the younger replied. "And I'm blind in my left eye and wanted to see what was doing," said the other.—Boston Journal.

Settled. Old Gentleman (at his daughter's wedding)—My dear, I don't see how I am to get along without you. Bride—Oh, that's all right, pa. Since the ceremony was performed my husband has confessed that he hasn't enough saved to start housekeeping, so you won't lose me after all.

Cause and Effect. "There are many delightful dishes to be made from left over food." "That's nice," responded the young bride. "There's a great deal of food left over since I began doing the cooking."—Washington Herald.

Giving Him a Tip. Him—I don't know how to tell you how I love you. Her—Don't worry about that. I'll take it as it comes. What you want to get nervous about is how to tell papa about it.—Toledo Blade.

God bless the good natured, for they bless everybody else.—Henry Ward Beecher.

Announcements.

The following are the prices charged for announcements in this column: Sheriff \$8.00, Prothonotary \$8.00, Treasurer \$8.00, Recorder \$6.00. All other offices \$5.00. An announcement will not be made for any candidate unwilling to pledge himself to abide by the decision of the Democratic voters as expressed at the primaries.

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