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FARM NOTES.

-The poultry business requires study and constant attention, the same as any other business. First efforts are rarely

—A simple way of finding out the value of each cow is by keeping a daily record of the quality of milk given by each, and

-Humus was intended by nature to create and conserve the fertility of the soil for the production of the necessities to conserve the human race.

favorably with other crops, although this will vary with the kind of stock and the grain rations with which it is used. -If the swine are in the fattening stage they should have all they will eat up clean, but growing animals should

-In feeding value silage compares

have just enough to keep them in a thrifty -Hogs must have mineral matter. Charcoal, ashes, soft coal screenings and salt are cheap and just what they need. Disinfecting hog troughs and pens may not kill cholera, but it will aid as a pre-

-The man who, on 80 acres, gives himself to high thought and purposes and large living will easily outrank in intel-lectual power and social influence the mere money-seeker on a farm many times larger. It isn't the size of the farm, but the quality of the farmer's methods which determines his place in the com-

-The soy bean plant is a legume, and is, therefore, a nitrogen gatherer for the soil. If properly handled it should leave the soil in better condition than before. This is particularly true of sandy soil, which is generally somewhat deficient in nitrogen. The crop usually does well on the lighter soils, as compared with the

-As a food for all kinds of livestock, alfalfa has been found the "king of forage crops." It is rich in protein and well adapted for use in a feeding ration with corn. It makes excellent hay and is more digestible than most forms of rough feed. Numerous feeding records show that it is worth fully a half more than clover hay, and many feeders claim it to be almost equal to such materials as wheat bran.

-Losses of livestock last year from disease and exposure, according to the Department of Agriculture, make an unfavorable showing. Hogs are estimated to have died in the proportion of about 90 to each 1000 except in Illinois, where the loss is placed at 215 for each 1000. Swine disease was more destructive than for 15 years past. The total estimated loss was close to 6,000,000 head, and the value is figured at more than \$46,000,000.

—Where both grain and cob in corn are crushed and fed to the horses, oats, bran or oil meal should be about one third of the rations, as the cob portion of the chop is so dry and woody that it is apt to lie heavily on the stomach, causing gastric colic. It will not do to feed this ration alone to horses in anything but moderate quantities, especially where they stand in the stalls considerable of the time. Whenever their manure begins to turn dark and hard, whether they are working or not, something must be done to loosen their bowels and assist in turning the manure back to a somewhat softer and more golden color, which can be accomplished by decreasing or cutting out entirely the corn and cob feed and giving more of the laxative rations.

-In preparing whitewash for the walls, ceilings, posts of the cow barn, etc., it is best to add some antiseptic. Slack the fresh stone lime by adding water gradually and stirring it until it is a smooth, thick creamy body. Add a pint of crude carbolic acid for every ten gallons. If it is to be put on by hand, it needs only a little more thining with water. But if it is to be applied by a spray pump, much more water is needed, and the wash must be strained through a cloth. The whitewashing should be done when the cows are not in the room. The doors and windows should be open to allow the rapid drying. Ordinarily, it is not necessary to do the whitewashing oftener than every six weeks through the winter season, but let the fall application be done

-The effect of the use of the milking machine on the health of the cow has been the subject of investigation at one of the Australian experiment farms. It was that of Nero in 65. The second was concluded that contagious udder dis- was that of Titus in 80. The third was eases might be spread by the use of a dirty milking machine, the cups not being kept clean, but with a clean machine it might not be so likely to spread the disease as the hands of the milker. A diseased cow should not be milked with a milking machine. It was found that some types of milking machine were injurious to the cow because of the presence of a metal ring at the top of the cup and because a continual pressure was exerted, causing a congestion. Machines with intermittent action would not cause any congestion. It was concluded that there was no injury if the milking machines were of the right type, were not used on diseased cows and were kept clean.

-One man can sometimes do more to "we had to give it up. There got to be bring pure-bred livestock into disfavor so many candidates and so much camthan a dozen can accomplish in popularizing them. For example here is a case of a farmer of good intelligence becoming imbued with the idea that he could quickly make a fortune in handling pure-bred livestock. He had made no special study of breed characteristics and knew very little about scientific feeding, and less about the practical methods of getting animals into sale condition. He did not seek wise counsel in the matter, and as a result he soon found himself loaded up with expensive animals, these being selected without regard to uniformity of conformation, consistent blood lines or habits of growth. He has been trying for some time now to dispose of some surplus stock, but, breeders who are looking for "the best" are unable to find what they want in this man's herd, while farmers in the community cannot pay the the prices that should be paid in order to afford the breeder any profit. He has started in to do a little spasmodic advertising, but because he cannot make his name a houshold word among men who handle his kind of livestock in a short time he has already become disgusted. Probably by the time 12 months roll around he will look on both buyers and

Verdi's Verdict,

At his home in Genoa, one evening in 890, Verdi sat down to his piano and played some of the music from the score of "Cavalleria Rusticana." Boito and Tebaldini were present at the time. When the "grand old man" of music came to the sad of the duet between Alfredo and Santuzza he cried out, "Enough of this sort of thing." and rose from the piano. Quite a long time afterward Mascagni heard the sequel to the incident. On the morning after it occurred Tebaldini met Verdi and remarked that the latter looked tired. Verdi explained that he had sat up to a very late hour of the night. "After you left." he went on, "I went back to the piano and once more tried over 'Cavalleria.' and it gradually conquered my prejudice and made a great impression on me. There is so much sincerity in its melodies that, in spite of myself, I could not help going on with it, and now I must admit that the work pleases me vastly." And he added, "Here is a young man who will make a name for himself."

Reason For Waiting. A certain young woman, although she is a trained stenographer, typewriter and bookkeeper, had very bad luck in trying to obtain a position at even a fair salary. Though there was no joke in the continual disappoint. ments, she found a funny side to one experience. The manager of a place whose advertisement she answered told her that the salary paid at first would be \$8 a week, that by the end of the year it would be increased to \$9, while by the third year she would receive the magnificent sum of \$10. Mechanically she agreed to let him know and went out. Apparently she had made a good impression, for when a couple of days had gone by she received a note asking whether she wanted the posttion or not. She sat down and wrote: "Dear Sir-Of course I intended to

accept the position. I am simply wait. ing for the two years to pass, so that I can begin at \$10 per. Yours truly."-New York Times.

Exterminating Our Wild Life. The forces that are actively seeking to destroy all our best wild life are overwhelmingly numerous and very aggressive. Unfortunately each one of these forces of destruction is stead ily becoming more deadly. I assert. without fear of contradiction, that today every valuable wild species in our country is being killed faster than it is breeding. In our own times the great auk, passenger pigeon, Labrador duck. Eskimo curiew. Carolina parra keet, flamingo (in the United States: Pallao's cormorant and the whooping crane have been completely exterminated. There are at least fourteen more species of birds that will be ren dered extinct in the near future unless a revolution in public sentimer quickly and sternly stops the universal slaughter.-William T. Hornaday in

Noise In a Bank, Banks were breaking in New York eight a day at the height of the 1907 panic, and it was a nerve racking time A new president had taken charge of one shaky institution to try to save it. He was a good natured man, but had a voice like the bellow of an angry bull Unfamiliar with banking details, he was nosing around the place.

Leslie's.

"Well, how much a day do you steal?" he bellowed at a clerk who was empty ing bags filled with gold and silver into a sorting and counting machine. The clerk turned red, then white and stammered out some unintelligible re-

The new president went back to his office, thought hard for ten minutes and then sent for the clerk. He con fessed to a shortage of \$7,500.-New York Mail.

The Roman Forum.

From the age of Tiberius to that of Constantine the history of the Roman forum is represented, says Professor Lanciani, by four great fires followed by three great restorations. The first in the reign of Commodus, 191. The fourth took place in 283, in the days of Carinus. A century later occurred the abolition of pagan worship, which is mentioned as the first incident in the destruction of the forum. Yet the place was in a tolerable degree of preservation as late as the beginning of the sixth century.

Sacrificed to Reform. "You have abandoned the picturesque custom of crowning a queen of the

"Yes," replied the merry villager: "we had to give it up. There got to be paigning that politics left us no time for business."-Washington Star.

Placing the Blame, "I admit without hesitation," said the man who tries to conceal his self esteem. "that whatever I am today is

due to the influence of my wife." "That's right," replied Mr. Growch "Always blame the woman."-Washington Star.

Justified. "The hour of 12 has struck!" bissed the ghost. "I don't blame it," replied the mate-

rialist. "It was work d to death 'ong

ago"-Judge.

Very Easily. Griggs-Wealth does not necessarily bring happiness. Briggs-No, but if it should prove disappointing one can easily get rid of it - Boston Transcript.

Do not drink poison relying on the antidote you may possess.—Arabic.

Discredited by a Knife.

An old politician whose tendencies were toward the teachings of prohibitionists tells how he accidentally spoiled effect of a plea be was making the against the liquor traffic before an outor audience in the northern part of Indiana. By the time he had made out the notes for his speech he had reached a point of view that boded ill for King Rum, and when he began speaking from them his imagination expanded and his language fairly scintillated with firebrands hurled at the traffic. In the midst of it, while paying his special respects to those who helped the traffic along by their lenience toward it, a series of malevolent breezes tried to carry off the loose leaves of his manuscript. To stop the annoyance he opened up his pocketknife and pinned the pages to the pine board before him. He pinned them with such a vigorous jolt that a big corkscrew with which the other end of the knife was equipper flopped open and stood up shamelessly before all those temperance peo-

"I have always felt," the orator is wont to say, "that the impression i made on that crowd was not commensurate with the beauty of my effort."-Indianapolis News.

First Drop Curtain Sign. It is very seldom nowadays that we catch a glimpse of advertising signs on the drop curtains of any New York production, and yet time was when this method of advertising was a source of revenue to the manager, and curtains were literally covered with signs. It is related that one of the foremost producers along Broadway some twenty five years ago, while putting on a big musical play, discovered that his funds were running low and he was unable to raise a loan. One of the scenes in the play represented Union square, at that time the first class retail center of New York city. He had an idea. He went to merchants whose places of business were on Union square and proposed to show their stores in his scene and with their signs plainly in sight, which would be a good ad. The suggestion was readily accepted, and the producer got all the money he required for bringing out his play and a great deal more.-New York Telegraph

Lively Wedding Gifts. No one ever received a more curious consignment of wedding presents than the famous lion trainer Bidel. "We spent our honeymoon at Lyons," he once told a friend, "and we had some queer presents from the ordinary point of view, as all my friends were anxious to give 'something useful.' Among other gifts were three boa constrictors and five alligators. I shall never forget how annoyed I was and how frightened my wife was when during the night two of the alligators broke out of their boxes in our bedroom and began exploring. I could not find the matches, and my wife and I remained on top of the bed canopy till morning Luckily my wife did not think of the thing that was worrying me. I was deadly afraid that the alligators would

waken up the bon constrictors." Died For His Mates. There is a tablet in the sailors' home at Melbourne to James Marr. He was a sailor before the mast on the Rip. On July 15, 1873, the Rip was caught in a squall. Marr sat astride of the gaff when a great wave broke over the boat and brought down the mainmast. There was only one chance to save the Rip. That was to cut away the litter But Marr clung to the broken spar. and to cut away meant to send him overboard to his death. So, looking at him doubtfully, the men hesitated. their axes in their hands. Marr, helpless, pondered. He saw that his death would be the boat's salvation, and he

"Cut away, mates! Goodby!" Then he let himself fall into the cold.

wild sea.

Making Dolls. The assembling by German dollmakers of the different parts of the dolls is often very complicated. The best jointed dolls have stout elastic cord on the inside, to which the movable parts are attached. A special branch of the industry is devoted to the making of dresses and hats. The latest Parisian styles are copied in dressing the larger sized dolls, and the creations turned out compare very favorably in miniature with the original.

The Books of Youth. The books that charmed us in youth recall the delight ever afterward. We are hardly persuaded there are any like them, any deserving equally our affections. Fortunate if the best fall in our way during these susceptible and forming periods of our lives.-Alcott.

Not Dangerous. "We found a kidnaper in our house the other day." "Good heavens! Did you get the po-

"What! For a fine surprise present of a new cradle?"-Baltimore American.

Full of Thrills. "Was the play exciting?" "Oh, very! The management had engaged two leading ladies, and there was a constant struggle for the center of the stage."-Washington Herald.

Heart Throbs Stopped. Nan-So you've had a falling out with Jack. I thought he loved you with all his heart. Pan-That's just it. He had heart failure. - Philadelphia Record.

The only thing that walks back from the tomb with the mourners and refuses to be buried is character .- W. M. Hunt.

Woman as a Slave.

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