### Agricultural.

Turning Cows to Pasture.

There is a great difference among dairymen in regard to the time when cows should be turned to grass. Many contend that all kinds of stock should be kept off pasture grounds during the spring until there is a good growth of grass. In other words, the herbage must have obtained such a start that the cattle will not be able to eat it down short during the season, and thus they be lieve a supply is more fully insured.

Another plan practiced by many, is to let stock have the full run of pastures as soon as the snow is off the ground, allowing it to pick on the old grass and eat off the early vegetation as soon as it springs up. The chief reason urged for this latter cours is, that the change from hay to grass in feeding should be as gradual as possible, in or-der that the stock may be kept in good as just after having eaten green gooseberry health; that, if cows in spring are turned suddenly from dry food upon luxuriant pasturage, the change is very liable to produce serious tro rbles -excessive scouring-bloating and other disorders that impair health often for a considerable length of time, and

even if they do not tend to the total loss of

the animal, they cause the loss of her milk

for shorter or longer periods.

Now, a middle course between the two plans named, we think, is to be preferred, and will give the best results. In the first place, it may be remarked, pasture lands will be injured in productiveness by allowing stock to roam over the fields early in spring before the ground is settled, and "poaching of the land" by the frequent tread of cattle destroys the grass in places while the surface is rendered uneven or filled with holes made by the feet of cattle. Again, when the frost is coming out of the ground it is often rendered so loose in texture that the roots of the grasses are easily pulled out, and cows feeding on the old herbage not unfrequently injure the turf, by pulling up grass by the roots. It will be advisable then not to turn stock upon pastures until the ground is fully settled and is not in condition to be injured by the feet of cattle, Nothing is gained by allowing pastures to get a tail growth of grass before turning stock upon them, because they tramp the herbage down in places, and by neglecting to feed other portions down, it soon becomes hard and woody and will not be eaten.

Grass is sweetest and gives the best results in mik when it is eaten off at regular intervals, and is not allowed to get a large growth. In this way the product is greater while the exhaustion to the soil is less than it is where tufts of grass are allowed to mature and go to seed. Cows ought not to be turned at once from hay to pasture, since a sudden change of this kind will be apt to at least step on an orange-peel and sprain affect their health. A better way is to give your ear. them the run of pastures for an hour or two at first, and so allow them gradually, from day to day, to become accustomed to the change of food, and should be fed from than two, you can do one up in a brown patime to time with hay after they have been turned to pasture altogether. Cows will frequently eat greedily of hay when they have en out to pasture for a considerable length of time, and rations of hay will often be looseness of the bowels or scouring.

Some dairymen are in the habit of giving salt to animals at certain intervals of time, but the better way is to keep it constantly before them or within their reach, so they can take it daily or at will. Nature regulates the quantity of salt needed much better than it can be done by portioning it out at intervals, and if the animal always has it ent run out, has to talk just as much and within reach there is no danger of over-feed. just as fast, and tell just as many lies for ing and the milk will show less variation in twenty-eight dollars as he used to tell for character. An important point to be ob- one hundred and twenty-three dollars. served in the management of milch stock is to keep them in a healthy, thrifty condition, and if cows on turning to grass are in- necktie peddler, in canal village, Saturday, clined to lose flesh and run down weak and and for a time it seemed as though the thin, they should be fed rations of ground wrongs of an outraged community were grain, and thus kept up to the maximum in about to be avenged; but the peddler es health and strength.-Rural New Yorker.

Study Your Soil.

Every one has no doubt observed the very diverse character and frequent changes that occur every few rods in the nature of the With almost every variation in the attitude of surface we find a change in the texture and the constituent elements of the soils. These differences may be seen in the character of the soil on nearly every farm, and indeed of almost every field of the country except perhaps some of the level prairie farms of the West. Both reason and experience teach us that all soils are not tice?" asked an old gentleman of a country adapted alike to all crops. Certain crops editor. "I make bold to ask it because seil, while other crops will do better on a about here who'd be glad to hear of his different kind of soil. In planning for a death." crop it is therefore important that these different adaptations should be studied and kept in view. But is this usually done? all crops made precisely the same demands know." "Indeed!" she responded. "Why, both crops and soils exist, successful farming the use of the microscope." depends largely on an intelligent adaptation of these different conditions. The farmer should know his soil both as to its constitcan and should be a close observer of all phenomena of nature in connection with the production of the crops of his farm. He may observe and note the results of each season's operations that in a few years at the most he can determine the productive capacity of each field of his farm under certain conditions of temperature and moisture. This so that he may avoid the expenditures of seed and labor in trying to cultivate a crop tation of soils and crops suited to each other him to spell matrimony, "Matrimony," would produce a good profit.

The successful farmer is he who provides the performance of his work; he counts time as an important item in the yearly calfor the harness, where it will be safe from weatheror any other damage; his wagons that so?" inquired the veteran; "Well, and tools are provided with coverings to preserve them; about his premises will be found not that I am much interested on my own a little shop or room where he keeps saws, that are needed to mend and put in order who persists in drinking coffee." the different machines he uses. These simple articles prevent days and weeks of de-

He found in its stomach only three grains the dog since, and doesn't think he ever Neally of wheat, and, by actual count, 350 weevil, will.

## Humorous.

'Hand made pants for sale." But we didn't know handmaids were do they?

our city choirs. "The kurds," says an Asiatic despatch,

khan, probably. Why does the good wife of the reformed frunkard rejoice? Because the husband

doesn't liquor any more. The Cincinnatti School Board didn't de ide to "repair and erect a new building," though one of the members proposed it,

The N. Y. Herald has discovered that a

It is reported that the Illinois tornado arried a small boy over the top of a church steeple. That's about as steeple lie as we

The New York Sun speaks of an old lady who died, "aged \$70." Can this be? Per haps the Sun means that she weighed £70.

A recent entry of foreign fruits into Boson required a permit seven feet in length. All owing to the number of dates and fig-

A California Chinaman can pick more while it is soft and easily trodden up. The strawberries in three hours than a white man can in a day. He doesn't stop to talk

"J. R. Grosse, grocer, groceries," is the positive, comparative and supelrative style of a Brighton storekeeper's sign.

Some men can never take a joke. Ther was an old doctor who, when asked what was good for mosquitoes, wrote back: "How do you suppose I can tell unless I know what ails the mosquito."

The instinct of animals is striking a times. It is wonderful how the instinct of a hedding cat invariably leads her to brush fondly up against the leg of your best trou-

Italian brigands now wear standing colars, diamond pins and alligator boots. It has always been suspected there was money in it, if well followed.

making the local paper interesting. If you cannot be a defaulting bank-clerk, you can

The Toledo Blade asks "How to do up shirts?" "Well, if you have not got more per pocket parcel when you travel. General Washington used to say that he

would rather at any time be struck by a cannon ball than hit by an egg. There found useful in correcting a tendency to would not, he said, be so much of him left, but he thought it would be more valuable. Multum in Parvo: Iowa tramp to lady of

the house: "Please, missus, won't you give me something to drink? I'm so hungry I don't know where I'll stay to night."

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A goat got tangled among the legs of : caped alive.

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will succeed better on a particular kind of know the deceased had a great many friends

A lady, taking a man good-naturedly to task for not assenting to some of her plans Do not the most of the farmers ignore this he haughtily said: "I study my own mind, difference and act as if all soils were alike or madam, my own mind, I'd have you to upon the soil? But as these diversities in I didn't know that you were familiar with

An enterprising resident of New Orleans has patented an apparatus for switching bey uent elements and to its productive capaci- off car steps. The urchin who steals a ride ty, but especially in regard to the last. It is seized firmly from behind and is spanked is not to be supposed that every farmer can by machinery, after which he is tossed genbe an agricultural chemist, but every one thy in the air. The capacity of the machine is ten boys a minute.

"Oh, heavens, save my wife!" shouted : man whose wife had fallen overboard in the Hudson river, recently. They succeeded i rescuing her; and her husband tenderly embraced her, saying, "My dear, if you'd should be the constant study of the tiller of ain't going to let you carry the pocketbook again.

There is a precocious six-year-old boy is on soil to which it is not adapted, which can Auburn who is wonderful on spelling and only result in loss, while an intelligent adap- definition. The other day his teacher asked said the youngster, promptly. "Now define it," said the teacher. "Well," replied the conveniences for the care of his property and the performance of his work; he counts but I know my mother's got enough of it."

An elderly gentleman, say of about sevenculation, and care of all his various effects ty winters, was taking his noon cup of cofas a factor in the annual returns. When he fee at Mrs. Harrington's a few days since puts the horse in the stable there is a place when a much younger friend suggested that coffee drinking was very injurious. "Is account, but I should like to tell my fathhammers, vices, augers and the various tools er, who is about ninety years of age, and

The other day a Burlington boy started to lay, besides adding to the length of the time carry home a yellow jacket's nest to tie to implements will last. It pays to have the dog's tall to have some fun. He didn't conveniences, and also get what you do buy get the nest all the way home, as it became of good quality. ceeded in coaxing most of the yellow jack-A Connecticut farmer, who saw the yellow ets to accompany him the whole distance, birds picking wheat from the standing and they supplied him with so much amuseheads abot one of the supposed offenders. ment that he hasn't once thought of fun or

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