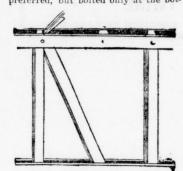


A STRONG STANCHION

It Is Handy and Easily Made and More Comfortable Than Most Similar Contrivances.

An excellent and handy stanchion for cattle is shown in the illustration. The feed rack is made of vertical bars 11/2 or 2 inches thick, bolted both at top and bottom between two side strips. The stanchions are made the as the other bars, or heavier if preferred, but bolted only at the bot-



EASILY MADE STANCHION.

tom, leaving the upper end to swing freely. When vertical, the stanchion is held in place by a block nailed be-tween the side strips on the right and a hinged strip on the left. In the cut this is raised, but when the stanchion is vertical it drops between the side etrips and holds it steady. Whenever desired, the notched strip may be raised, the stanchion pushed aside and the cattle are free. Always be careful to leave just enough space by the stanchion to admit of easy motion of the animal's neck .- American Agricul-

GRADING UP A HERD.

It Must Be Done Systematically or the Will Decrease.

cannot afford to buy blooded stock, and there are plenty who confess this, but where is the farmer who cannot afford to grade up his stock by introducing a fine bull occasionally? The cost of a fine bull is not so great to-day that the average farmer cannot afford to pur-chase one whenever the herd needs new blood. But the man who is opposed to fancy stock is usually on general principles opposed to grading up-that is, grading up where it will cost a liteither in time or money.

There is no better investment in this age than in a blooded bull which will bring new life and power into a herd of cows that has been gradually run down. Most farmers hate to admit that their herd is running down. But it is so easy for the animals to degenerate that most of us are caught nappring. The degeneration is not the result of sudden change. It comes on gradually and before we know it we wake up to the fact that our animals are not what they ought to be.

The herd needs a tonic, so to speak, go down hill, and before we know it the damage is done, and it will require some hard work to recover the lost ground. The beginning of all the work must be with the bull. A herd headed by a first-class bull can be made to do wonders. But the process of se-lection and weeding out must also be observed. There will appear in every herd now and then animals that have no place there. They need to be killed off or sold. Too much rigidness in this respect cannot be observed. The lack of it is usually the crying need of our dairymen. The cash sales of young bulls from herds that have been properly graded will often more than pay for the cost of a new bull occasionally.— Farmers' Guide.

Nervousness in Cows.

To most people, the cow is the most placid and least excitable animal in the world. When well fed, and not dis-turbed about her calf, she will lie and chew the cud of contentment for hours, and while thus undisturbed will se-crete all the milk possible from the food she has eaten. Yet the domestic cow, if she be a good milker, has a capacity for becoming nervous and excitable such as the ox or spayed cow cannot rival. At all times the first-class milch cow must be a hearty feeder. So long as she is given all she wants, she may be quiet enough. But if placed in a pasture where the food is insufficient or too poor in quality, the ccw will soon develop roving instincts, and will break through fences in order to get what she likes. The cow that will not do this in case of necessity is of little use for the

dairy .- Midland Farmer. A Waste Product No Longer.

Skim-milk has heretofore been almost a waste product in many creameries. It has not been utilized to the advantage of either the creameryman or patron. Its value for feeding purposes has been almost entirely destroyed, and the farmer who offered it to his calves or pigs felt almost ashamed of himself to think he would provide such unwholesome, miserable rations for their use. But with better enlightenment on this subject and facilities for doing it in betsubject and nathrees for doing it in better shape, they are beginning to utilize skim-milk in such a way that many of the farmers now consider it worth from 15 to 20 cents per hundred for feeding purposes alone.—Elgin Dairy Report.

Cleanliness, regularity and gentleness should be accompanied by quick. ness in milking.

A TRIP TO THE PACIFIC.

With the eyes of the world turned to the new Eldorado away back in the middle of the present century, legions began the toilsome march across the plains and over the mighty mountain barriers to the land of the present of the land of the state of the land mighty mountain barriers to the land of promise and gold, a journey which required months of toil and privation and the confronting of innumerable dangers. With in a period of time so brief that many now living made this journey in the early days to the wonderful West, what marvelous changes have been wrought in methods of transportation. To-day, surrounded by every luxury and comfort of modern existence, making it a veritable holiday of pleasure, the journey is a delight rather than a task, and as one is swiftly carried in palace sleeping cars through to destination. In the thought is given to the labor, effort and privation attending such a journey in and privation attending such a journey in days gone by.

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UPROARIOUS APPAREL.

Period Would Make Solomon Look Like Thirty Cents.

AN EVEN EXCHANGE.

That Worn by the Young Man of the The Fortunate Outcome of a Bank Messenger's Heart-Breaking

Some hopeful people had an idea last summer that the limit had about been reached in the loud colors of men's attire, in shirts, ties, hosiery and soft hats, and that this summer might see a return to more placid and subdued hues and patterns as a sort of reaction. The advance styles in the windows of the haberdashers' shops indicate that such hopes are vain and that linen and things will this year be even more startling than last season, if that be possible. Some of the shirts on display in the windows seem to actually shriek through the glass at the observer, and the width of the stripes is of the general style and pattern so long popular at Joliet penitentiary. These conversational shirts have gradually grown worse and worse each year until now the pessimists do not see how anything worse can happen than have a rival this year in a pale white hat, with the under side of the brim and also the band of deep blue, making a striking contant of the dependent of the policy of the general style and pattern, the blue crush hat, have a rival this year in a pale white hat, with the under side of the brim and also the band of deep blue, making a striking contant of deep blue, making a striking contant of the policy of the general style and pattern, the blue crush hat, have a rival this year in a pale white hat, with the under side of the brim and also the band of deep blue, making a striking contant of the policy of

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"Let me give you soll the advice and gave lawyer.
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