POINTS OF A GOOD COW .- We are salled on to give the points of a good ow and some suggestions which will sid a novice in buying satisfactorily.

A cow is in her prime when she is from 4 to 6 years old, and the best-payof her second or third calf. Prominence and fullness of milk veins, and velvety softness of skin are good indications. The milk veins should run down on either sile toward the udder, be easily perceptible to the eye, or readily found by pressure of the hand, Their hair should not be hard, rough, or staring. Symmetry, fullness and softness of the udder, which should be well spread out projecting behind the legs, and also reaching well forward under the belly; it should feel soft and thin to the touch, and an absence of fleshiness and thickness. The number and condition of the teats should be natural; if one teat is lacking a fourth less milk will be the result. A cow's with four taps, but is divided into four hot, lifferent compartments, called milk lands, each of which has its own tap r teat. It is not only important that ather long and tapering. Another. locility of disposition. These qualiplear eyes, and an air of contentment A cow that is quiet and characteristics.

GRASSES AND FERTILIZERS, -"Fertilizers should be reduced for their greatest solubility by a rigid pulverization of the soil. Air, has an element of help to the farmer, by its chemical action on manures, composts to a state of perfection the refuse of the fields and gardens, in process of time. Well rotted manure is the best dressing that roots require nourishment as much as any crop. Light, porous soil requires only a sufficient amount of manure for the crops, and should be well dressed with a fertilizing coat when seeded to grass, otherwise the hay crop will be light. It really costs no more, perhaps a trifle, to harvest two tons of hay than half that amount; and it is just as easy to raise two tons per acre as to skim over two or three acres in the hay season, in order to get half a ton of June grass

soda or alum, made into powder. For half a vanilla bean; add sugar to taste, warded by mail on the same or the 20 pounds of butter, one teaspoonful and a little salt. Beat separately four next day for presentment. of powdered alum and one of carbon- eggs; the whites must be whisked to a ate of soda are mingled together at the stiff froth, then mixed with the yolks. it is apprehended, be delayed by circutime of churning and put into the cream. The effect of this powder is to whisk in the eggs till it froths well, him, if the banker fail, the check in make the butter come firm and solid but not over the fire or the eggs will and to give a sweet flavor. It does not curdle. Serve with small sponge bis- sented within the period within which enter into the butter, but its action is cuit. upon the cream, and it passes off with the buttermilk. The theredients of the powder should not be mingled together until required to be used or until the cream is in the churn ready

No country in the world can equal west Texas for the raising of horses, is the verdict of breeders of the state who have had large experience in many countries. It is high dry land that produces the nutritious grasses that contain the constituents of bone and nuscle. This will develop a good conhas a remarkable effect upon the their legs are as firm as steel, from it were laid in the bottom of the pan. climbing rugged hills.

In feeding calves remember they are not the most brilliant animals in the world, and it is questionable if they ever know when they have enough any more than a boy would in a green apple tree. For this and many other reasons it is well to keep a watch over them to see that each one gets some of the food offered and not too much of it,

A PURE bred fowl of one of the egglaying breeds, such as Langshahs, Houdan, etc., will lay from twenty-five to fifty eggs more in a year than the dunghill. Not only this, but they are much more profitable every way. Purebred birds of almost any breed are worth at least \$3 apiece. There is a large profit on rightly managed poultry

CREAM should never be churned fast until it has thickened some, as it is likely to become frothy, especially in cold weather, as there is more milk taken off with the cream than in warm weather, where open setting is practiced. If one is in a hurry the best plan is to make haste by churning slow at first.

Poon butter is classified under ten heads, as follows: Butter with fodder heads, as follows: Butter with fodder flavors stable taints, with smoky, musty flavor; sour, oily butter, greasy butter; fishy, blubbery butter; bitter butter; streaked, speckled butter, all of which, save the fodder flavoring, are caused by carelessness in milking, and mismanagement in the butter after churn-

Do not value a hog because it does not eat much. A good hog has an excellent appetite always, and cating a large quantity of food means rapid growth. Increase of weight can not be secured except by the use of plenty of food; or "raw material" with which to manufacture the product desired.

To keep your hired men good natured while milking, call the milking a part of the day's work and do not expect them to work in the field till dark and then milk a dozen cows in the night.

Which buttermisk contains very grateful to the stomach, and the staying properties of the drink will enable a person to undergo more fatigue than anything else that may be drank.

HOUSEHOLD.

RECIPE FOR SCALLOPED CLAMS. Scald the clams, drain off the liquor and Judge Biddle Delivers an Opinion chop them up very fine. Butter the cavities of a number of large clam shells, or, if pre erred, a number of individual vegetable dishes, Put in a ing time to buy is just after the Lith thin layer of grated bread crumbs or cracker dust (the bread crumbs are to be preferred), then a layer of the chopped clams, a few small pieces of butter, a sprinkle of chopped parsley and dust of black pepper; then a layer of bread crumbs and another of clams, etc., and so on alternate until you have the desired quantity, the last layer being bread crumbs, upon which lay two or three small pieces of butter, and pour in a small portion of rich cream or a little sherry, or a little of the strained liquor from the scalded clams. This liquor Set your scallops in a baking-pan and cook in a moderate oven for fifteen or adder is not, as some suppose, a barrel of a delicate yellow color. Serve very

CURE FOR BITES AND STINGS .- An old woodman of Australia, who used to he full number of teats be present and catch snakes for pastime, says that a n working order, but it is desirable raw onion bruised and applied as soon that they be well placed, not crowded as possible to the wound is a certain together, but well apart, and at nearly cure for the bite of all venomous serequal distances apart; they should be pents of that country except the death adder, which he admits is so poisonous important point is quietness and and its poison is so quick in acting that there is no known remedy for it. That ies are indicated by large, mild and the onion is a specific for the sting of poisonous insects of all kinds has long been known to the writer of this paracontented feeds at ease, chews her cad graph, who, when a boy, invariably with entire satisfaction, and will secrete | carried one on expeditions with commore milk than a restless, turbulent panions against hornets' nests, etc. It animal, even if it has similar milking | was found that the application of onion juice would instantly allay the pain caused by the stinging of hornets, yellow jackets, wasps, bees, etc.

LEMON PUDDING .- For this the crumbs only of the stale bread must be used. Half fill a small baking dish over it just enough hot milk to make it Manure should be soluble, for grass pios, sweeten it to taste, and mix it to indicate to the drawer that it would not crust of pastry.

firm in warm weather use carbonate of milk; or, instead of the almonds, use negotiated, the check should be for-

BROILED POTATOES .- Cut cold boiled potatoes in slices a third of an inch thick. Dip them in melled butter and fine bread crumbs. Piace in the double broiler and broil over a fire that is not too hot, Garnish with parsley, and serve on a hot dish. Or, season with salt and pepper, toast till a delicate brown, arrange on a hot dish, and serve with butter.

IF you have no pan expressly for baking fish you can arrange one in this stitution with fine flesh and fine solid way: Get a piece of heavy wire netwindows; have it cut just large enough growth and development of the horse. to cover the top of your dripping-pan, Our pure air, clear water and rich but not to extend over the sides; the cereals are the important factors in fish may be laid upon this, and it will rearing a sound, healthy, spirited class drain nicely and will be far more likely of horses. Their feet are sound and to brown as you like to have it than if

> ONE way to make caper sauce to serve with fish is to chop one tablespoonful of capers very fine, rub them through a sieve, not wasting any part of them; mix with them a saltspoonful of salt, one ounce of butter, not melted but stirred and beaten until soft and light; sprinkle well with black pepper, and while the fish is very hot place the sauce over it and let it melt there, thin slices of lemon added to drawn butter giving a pleasing variation to that

PALM leaf fans are covered with silk or cretonne and have a loose piece of the same material attached so as to form a bag. There are pompons around the edge at regular distances. They are hung against the wall, handle upward, and serve as receptacles for odds and ends. The outsides are painted, gilded or covered with silk or satin fitting

SCRAMBLED Eggs.—Peel a large to-mato, free it from seeds and chop it up small, also chop two slices of onion; put both into a saucepan with plenty of butter, and pepper and salt to taste; stir on the fire till the onion is quite cooked, but not colored, then throw in four eggs beaten up, and keep on stir-ring the whole till the eggs are nearly set; serve at once within a circle of bread sippets fried in butter.

JAPANESE bottles with long necks are made into hand-screens by ingenious young ladies and the manner in which it is done is by placing in the neck the handle of an open fan. The bottle and neck and handle may be covered with silk, thus concealing the joining point.

The acreen may be stood beneath a lamp to shield the eyes from the light.

BUTTERMILK is considered one of the best of summer drinks. Those who have a craving for something sour in warm weather will find the lactic acid which buttermilk contains very grate-

WHEN CHECKS MUST BE PRE-SENTED.

Important to Business Men.

Judge Biddle recently delivered an pinion in the Court of Common Pleas, o. 1. Philadelphia, which is not only valuable to the merchants and bankers of Pennsylvania, but to every man who has dealings with banks. The case was the State National Bank of New Jersey against Abraham Weil, and it was on a rule for judgement for want of a sufficient affidavit of defense.

Judge Biddle says: "The check upon which suit was brought in this case was drawn on the 26th of May, 1885, by Bank of Philadelphia. The check was is, however, often very salty, therefore and presented for payment to that bank until the 29th of May, after it had suspended payment. It is contended by the defendant that, inasmuch as there twenty minutes, or until the tops are were ample funds in that bank to his credit when it failed and that if the said check has been duly presented to the said bank at any time prior to the said 29th of May, 1885, it would have been paid, the loss was caused by unreasondelay in its presentation, and therefore the drawer was not liable upon it. The question, therefore, is whether the delay in its presentation was unreasonable. When the facts and circumstances are ascertained, the reasonableness of time, says Chancellor Kent, is a matter of law, and every case will depend on its special circumstances."

Judge Biddle then quoted cases to establish the rule that "a reasonable time will depend upon circumstances and upon the time, mode and place of receiving the check and upon the relations of the parties between whom the question arises. The check here in question was drawn by a commercial firm in a commercial city upon a city bank, in favor of another commercial firm, and is therefore a strictly mercantile transaction, not complicated by other consideration. There is no queswith it, remove it to a basin and pour tion of necessary delay in transmission, nor is any reason suggested why it could soft. Grate into this the rind of a large not have been presented at once, or lemon, add the juice strained from the anything connected with the transaction well together. Beat up an egg with as | be presented at once. If presented on the much milk as necessary to fill up the day of its receipt by the payee, it would dish, pour this over the bread, mix have been paid if deposited by him in well, and having buttered the dish, a city bank on the day of its receipt; it pour the preparation into it; put little would have been presented on the next bits of butter on the top of the pudding day and paid. If deposited the day and round the edges of the dish, and after its receipt, the 27th, for collection, bake it for about an hour, or until a it would have been presented on the nice brown color. Strew a little pow- 28th and would have been paid. The dered sugar over the top and serve. rule in cases of that character is, that This mixture can be baked within a where the parties all reside in the same place, the holder should present the check on the day it is received, or the FOAM CUSTARD.—Pound six bitter dollowing day, and when payable at a almonds and boil them in two quarts of different place from that in which it is

> "The liability of the drawer cannot, whoseever hands it be, must be prethe payee or first holder must have preconted it, but as against the party transferring the check to the holder, it is sufficient, whatever the date of the check, to present it or forward it for presentment on the day next after its transfer. The reason for this strictness is said to be that a check, unlike for immediate payment and for circulation and therefore it becomes the duty ol the holder to present it for payment as soon as he reasonably may, he keeps it at his own peril. Negotiability is not of their essence, but at most merely an optional quality. The rule, there-fore, is well established in the two greatest commercial cities of the world that a check on a bank, where all the parties are residents of the same city, must be presented on the day upon which it bears date or on the next day, and if not the risk of the solvency of the drawee is upon the payee. think that rule should be applied to this case, there being no circumstances to except it from its operation, and that the delay in the presentation of the check was unreasonable. The defendant is not responsible for its non-payment. The rule for judgement is discharged,"

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"I have the Ancient Order of United Workmen, and you kn ,w-" "What about Wednesday evening?"

"Oh! the Odd Fellows meet that night and on Thursday I have a meeting of the Knights of Labor to attend; on Friday the Royal Templars of Temperance; on Saturday there's a special couldn't miss that; and then Sunday night-let me see-what is there on Sunday night, my dear?"

"The Grand and Ancient Order of "Why, I had forgotten. Am I

member of that-let me see-" ciety. John, of which you were once a member."

"What's that?" "Your wife's!"

A NEIGHBOR of mine is quite annoyed by having all the travelling agents, etc., quartered on him for the night, and the more he entertains, the more are sent him for that purpose.

One cold night last winter, after he had stowed two guests in his front chamber and two in his lower bed-room, we heard another stop at his door and ring him up at 12 o'clock past. This was entirely too much for human

patience. "What do you want?" said he, open-

ing the window. 'r want to stay here all night," came the answer from a voice on the side-

walk below. "Well, stay there, then," was my neighbor's benevolent response, and down went the sash with a jerk!

CASE OF NECESSITY -- Scene in court-A small boy, caught in the act of shooting birds, has been arrested for truancy. Officer-"This, your honor, is the young truant and bird shooter. Judge-"I am deeply distressed to see you, so young a lad, so cruel. Do you not attend both day and Sabbath schools where you sing beautiful songs about the lovely birds and their little nestlings? And does not your own mother teach you when you say your prayers at night how wicked it is to shoot the dear birds?" Small boy-"Yes, sir." Judge-"Then you must be depraved indeed! Your extreme youth would certainly demand clemency. If you were an outsast, an orphan, I"-Small boy-"Then, judge, I wouldn't ha' done 'Twas for mother's hat. That bird was ten times prettier'n the one in your wife's bonnet, 'cause I seen it last Sunday in Sunday school. She's my teacher." Judge—"Oh! Oh! yes! A case of necessity, I see. You were not shooting in mere, wanton sport; discharge the boy and bring on the next

HE: "But I'm afraid that I'm wearying you. Excuse me for mentioning it, but I think I saw you indulge in a suppressed yawn twice." She: "Oh, don't go, I beg. Your company is so health-ful." He: "So healthful?" She: Yes; Mrs. Stratton advises all girls in society to sleep, and do you know, your conversation is exceedingly quieting. Indeed, I was more than halt asleep when you started to go. Pray sa down; in another five minutes I am sure I shall be in the land of dreams." But he didn't stop. He happened to think Cream Balm of an important engagement that could not be neglected.

LITTLE Fred's sister was married the other evening, and he was so much impressed by the ceremony that he :at in perfect silence until the bride a; peared in her travelling dress and her years was open and weeping mother took his hand to lead free as the other. I him to her for a good-by kiss. Then feel very thandful.-

Fred burst out: "Ohl ohl ohl must I go away?-am I 275-18th St., Brook married, too?"

My little nephew, aged 3, writes a lady, was fond of playing cars by run-ning along puffing and whistling in imitation of the engine. One day I chanced to step in his way as he was going at full speed. He stopped, and instead of requesting me to give him the right of way, remarked solemnly: "The engine will wait till that cow gets off the track."

BINKS (who has just arrived)-Who is taking the social lead here now? Miss Gaygurl (with a touch of malice) I believe Miss Passee is posing for

belle of the beach. B-Why, she was a belle here fifteen years ago, when I first commenced

Miss G-That doesn't prevent her being the belle yet—the chestnut belle.

A FEW mornings since, at breakfast, in a rich Clifton home, a little tot paralyzed his maternal progenitor by claiming: "Mamma, I love you better than I love oatmeal,"

"Do you love that much, dear?" was the tender rejoinder. "Well, I ain't stuck on it,"

"WERE you at the sociable last night?" "Yes, and I spent a very pleasant evening." "I heard Miss X was to sing there, I suppose you enjoyed that?" "Ever so much. She had a sore throat and eculdn't sing."

VISITOR-Is the baby very sick, Bobby Yes, I guess she is for such little bit of a thing.

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