## FARM NOTES.

CUTTING FODDER BY HAND .- A shrewd writer observes that the farmer and let it boil until a drop dropped inwho continues to chop up cornstalks and other coarse feed by hand needn't The moment it will do this add a teawonder if his sons take a dislike to farming and quit it for some pleasanter employment the first opportunity. Many a young man leaves the farm because he has a liking for machinery, and desire to work where he will direct forces of steam or horse power rather than do all with muscles. Such a youngster is just now especially needed on the farm. More and more is skill with complicated mechanism needed in the ordinary operations of the farm. Probably in a few years a majority of farmers will find it profitable to keep a steam engine, to saw wood, cut fodder and furnish power for many operations now performed by hand. More than a few boys have acquired a distaste for farming by being required hour after hour to turn grindstones or swing the revolving churn,

l'oor FARMING AND POOR HORSES. -Some one who is evidently a shrewd observer declares that poor farming and poor horses go hand in hand—that, like "birds of a feather," they "flock together." And he further affirms that one never sees a good crop of any kind raised by a lot of broken down plugs, or an inferior class of horses, except where the land is so productive that it would be impossible to raise a poor crop. A poor farm may be made much better by farming crops in the best possible manner. If deep ploughing is best, it cannot well be done, or done at all, with inferior horses. The preparation of the ground for planting is a laborio s task, and without strong horses it cannot be well done. In short, there is no work on the farm that a good team cannot do to a better advantage than a poor one, and for that reason, it nothing else, a farmer stands in his own light when he tries to get along with an inferior class of horses.

OUR READERS will do well to examine carefully the remarkable offers made by "The Purchasing Co." of 614 Chestnut St., Phila. Benny Salinger, Manager. The rare bargains in rich new jewelry are very attractive. Among these are a ladies' \$2.50 glove ring, with Brazilian Pebble for \$1; a gents' real intaglio stone, \$3 ring, for \$1; a new design six cluster stone, \$4 ring, for \$1.50; a \$3.50 solid gold scarf pin, with Rhinestone, \$1.50; a beautiful \$2 earring for 75 cents; a \$4 gold front lace pin of new design, with Rhinestone, \$2.; a \$2.50 solid gold ring, in Cameo, Intaglio, or Tiger Cameo, \$1.25; &c.,

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THE PROFIT DERIVED .- The largest profit derived is from the manure, as but 3) per cent, of the food eaten is the expense of gathering. digested and assimilated, the cattle carrying away from the farm but that proportion, though this may vary according to the kind of food provided. If the cattle gave no profit, when sold, over the cost of the food, the manure would still remain as a large item in their favor, The fattening of steers, however, as at present practiced, is for the farmer to go on the market and buy a lot for that purpose. If he becomes interested in the improvement of his stock he will learn that it is cheaper to raise his steers and fatten them for he can secure more beef from a wellbred 3-year old steer than from two steers bought from dealers, as there is just that difference between the two classes of animals. Good breeding, with the use of ensilage and grain, and the young animals forced in growth from the start, will not only give a larger profit but allow more land to be cultivated by a more enonomical system of feeding.

A CORRESPONDENT of the New York Tribune stored winter pears on the floor and shelves of a large closet and left them to ripen in total darkness, the door being occasionally opened for ventilation. When gathered they were hard and green, but the last of November they took on a beautiful shade of yellow, were soft, sweet and of delicious

We print in another column the 42d Annual Statement of The Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co., of Philadelphia. This exhibit shows total assets of over fifteen million dollars, and a surplus over all liabilities to policy holders of over two million and a half dollars; these figures are sufficiently gratifying, but the statement of new Business written during the past year is simply marvelous, showing as it does a grand total of assets of \$15,174,078.38 and a surplus of \$1,894.698.39. It is very evident that the Penn Mutual means to keep its position at the head of the column, and there it deserves to stay, as there is not in the country a more carefully managed and honestly conducted Company. The watchwords of the officers of the Penn Mutual seems to be Enterprise, Integrity and Mutual seems to be Enterprise, Integrity and Liberality to Policy-holders.

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IT IS OFTEN a trouble to housekeepers to find sufficient variety for breakfast, but where strict economy has not to be studied there are a number of dishes from which to make selections, and it is well if possible for the housekeeper to have in her mind, or better still on a placard placed in the kitchen for the purpose, a number of bills of fare for some ten days or two weeks in advance.

Some cookery books give special chapters on breakfast and supper dishes; in others hints may be got from the list of entries. Presuming that nitrogenous and "relishy" articles are chiefly meant, there is a wide choice in bacon, fried or brolled; ham, ditto and cold; chops and steaks; sausages, hot and cold (the latter not distressing billous people); pickled pork; cold tongue; pates or potted meats (which are quite wholesome if turned out at once on opening the tins); sardines; kidneys and sweetbreads; fish fried, or smoked fish broiled; omelettes, and eggs boiled and poached; various kinds of seasoned meat pies. Any of the above may of course be wholesome or unwholesome for different people. The well-known "excellent substitute for butter at breakfast" put on butter, may get down another slice, and is most wholesome; dry toast, allowed to get cold, may sometimes be eaten after everything else. If more bulky farin-aceous food is desired, and appetite fails for porridge, hominy, or bread-and-milk (which should be attacked first, if atail), potatoes mashed, or cold ones roughly mashed and done with peoper and salt in the fryingpan, will often be eaten with some of the above, and so will tomatoes nicely grilled or stewed. And, finally, it helps along to drink coffee made with-three-fourths of boiling milk, making the coffee rather strong, of course.

OLD VIRGINIA RECIPES .- To Spice beef (Virginia fashion).—Suppose your beef (Virginia fashion).—Suppose your round to be 25-pounds weight. Take one-half ounce of sa'tpetre, two table-spooniuls (heaping) of brown sugar; pulverize the former and mix well with the sugar, then rub thoroughly into the beef in all directions. Lay it in a tub or a cask 48 hours. Have ready one and one-half ounces of ground black and one-half ounces of ground black pepper, two ounces of ground allspice, cne ounce of ground cloves, and four handfuls of fine salt; mix these well together and again rub thoroughly into the meat; return it to the cask or tub with what remains of the mixture, and A Gentleman's Real In- repeat the process daily for a fortnight, when the beef is ready to be used. It handsome head carved on the will keep a long time.

Lemons Pickled .- Two dozen lemons -pare the yellow rind from them as thin as possible; slit them across at the This ring is finely finished. equaled to any Gold Ring. ends and pack them in dry salt for three days; then lay them to dry in the sun, allowing some of the salt to adhere to This is a Six Cluster Stone Ring of our own design. It has a plain shank, and is set with six of the most brilliant stones. We can recommend them; two days' hot sun will be suffici-ent. Put them in a porcelain-lined kettle with two quarts of vinegar, four ounces of white pepper and white mustard seed mixed, and one grated nutmeg; let them all boil thoroughly together five minutes. Always see that they are well covered with vinegar. This is a superb pickie and beautiful in

appearance, A PANCAKE MACHINE .- A machine of interest to housewives has been invented by a man in Ilion, which threatens to revolutionize the present way of making pancakes. The batter is plac-ed in what may be termed a hopper on top of the small machine, which is placed on the breakfast table. When cakes are wanted the machine, which works by a spring, is set in motion, and the batter passes between two very highly-polished rollers, heated very hot by a spirit lamp, the cakes are thus rolled off and cut in the required shape by a sharp knife and thrown upon the Cream BalmHAY-FEVER plate which is ready to receive them.

A DAINTY DESSERT .- Nicely made cranberry jelly which has been thoroughly strained, and made a little sweeter than when served with turkey or as a sauce, makes a beautiful dish in connection with blanc-mange. Put 1 to the mould first a layer of cranberry jelly, then blanc-mange, then cranberry, then blanc-mange, and so on until the mould is full, set in the refrigerator until wanted, and serve with powdered sugar and cream. It will add a great deal to the appearance of the dish if a paper-lace mat is used on the dish in which the jelly is served.

GRIDDLE MUFFINS .- Melt in one quart of warm milk two ounces of the best butter, and set aside until co'd; beat four eggs until very light, and make a batter by adding alternately, and very gradually, a little of the milk and butter and flour, until the batter is of proper consistency (it must be rather thin); stir in two even tea-sponfuls of baking powder. Bake in buttered muffin rings on a hot griddle that has been buttered or rubbed over with suet. They must be torn open to butter them when eaten, as cutting them open makes them heavy.

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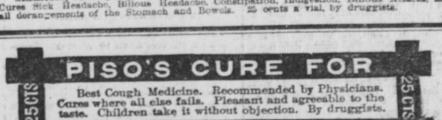
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