FARM NOTES.

Sow radishes at inetrvals of a week or en tdays. The best radishes are those that are grown quickly, which renders them crisp and tender. If they main in the ground too long they become tough. To have them crisp make the plot rich and sow seed often.

WITH early lambs now selling at $6 each, and early chicks at 40 cents per pound, the farmer should learn a lesson. It is the reaching of the markets at the proper time that gives the advantage and makes the difference in the profit.

THE second planting of peas may be made as soon as the first lot are up through the ground if the dwarf varieties are used, as but one or two pickings are usually secured from early peas. Plant them so as to have a succession.

THE horseshoe of the present should be improved. There needs to be something which will save the hoof from an undue wear and breakage, while at the same time permitting of elasticity of movement when the weight of the body is alternately borne upon and taken from it.

MEALY bug, which does so much damage to house plants, and especially to coleus, may be prevented or removed by washing the plants once a week with soapsuds, adding twenty drops of carbolic acid to half a pint of the soapsuds. The thorough washing of all house plants will benefit them, as dust sometimes accumulates on the plants and causes injury.

A NEW use for skim milk is recommended by some farmer in New England, who suggests that it makes an excellent fertilizer for lawn grass, being fully as valuable as manure, and not so unsightly. The use of skim milk for such a purpose, however, will depend on its price. On some farms it is considered of but little value. That it is an excellent liquid fertilizer cannot be denied.

THE bees that come out early will be thinned out during the prolonged wet weather. If caught in a shower when they are a distance from the hive they are liable to be destroyed. The birds also kill many. But for the prolificacy of the queen it would require but a short time for a hive to become depopulated.

IN the garden, if the plot is small, a saving of labor may be made by the frequent use of the rake, which will effectually destroy young and tender weeds, thus dispensing with the more laborious use of the hoe later. When the ground is kept well raked the young plants will better endure the lack of rain.

THE plot intended for celery should be well manured now, and if soap-suds are thrown on the plot, so as to soak into the soil, it will be all the better for the growing plants when they are put out to grow. Asparagus is one of the early vegetables, and it is also benefited by frequent applications of soap-suds. In fact, too much soap-suds and well-rotted manure cannot be applied to asparagus.

IT is claimed that ten pounds of clover-seed make the correct amount of seed for an acre. This is true only under certain conditions. The main point in growing clover is to secure a good "stand" at the beginning, and it more frequently happens that the seeds do not come up evenly and uniformly. It will not pay to save the expense of extra seed. Much seed is lost after seeding by not being covered, while birds also secure a portion. About sixteen quarts of seed will be the safer and surer quantity, as there will be no danger of the "catch" being too heavy.

CARE OF YOUNG LAMBS.—Great care must be taken not to let the lambs out from under cover on raw, damp days, or when rain is falling; they are very apt to get chilled and then die quite unexpectedly. If the sheep must get out for early exercise and a mouthful of grass, it is better to keep the lambs at home in the sheds until the weather gets quite comfortable and the soil warm, as they are easily chilled, even by lying on the cold, damp ground in the fields. Chilled lambs may be restored, if taken up in time, by being immediately placed in a bath of water, made as hot as the hand will bear. As soon as it revives and gets lively it should be rubbed thoroughly dry. If it will then suck the dam the risk is over, but should it appear weak a small dose of spirits—say a teaspoonful of whisky mixed with some warm milk—should be given by pouring down its throat. Then wrap the lamb in an old blanket, and keep it in a room comfortably warm till it recovers. Lambs can be restored by these means when so far gone that they appear almost or quite dead, says *Rural Home.*

THE TRENCH SYSTEM.—The Trench system is simply the use of trenches, but involving a heavy dressing of chemical fertilizers, placed so as to be available all through the season. After plowing the land trenches were made, three feet apart, by using a trench plow. The trenches should be about a foot in depth, but the depth is a matter of preference, according to the character of the soil. Large pieces of potato, each containing at least two strong eyes, were used in the *Rural* experiment, and were dropped in the trenches as nearly one foot apart as possible, the dropper kicking a small quantity of earth over each piece as he passed. A dressing of potato manure, at the rate of 1000 pounds per acre (chemicals) was then scattered through the trenches. This fertilizer was not placed directly on the bottom of the trenches, but was scattered all through them, so as to fairly surround the seed pieces. The trenches were about half filled above the seed pieces by hauling an old harrow lengthwise the rows. As the plants appeared the cultivator was started through the rows, at each working of which a little earth was thrown into the rows, until they were gradually filled and level. The crop was hoed twice and cultivated five times, 1000 pounds more of the fertilizer being applied on the surface between the rows at the last cultivation.

HOUSEHOLD.

WHERE animals—horses and sheep, to wit—have their teeth sound and complete, it is claimed there is no advantage to be gained by crushing their grain rations. It is otherwise in the case of old horses, cattle and pigs.

EXPERIMENTS show that for mere sustenance a cow of 1000 pounds weight must digest about eight pounds of nutritive material from her food, to supply which the food must contain about seventeen pounds of dry organic matter.

GROW roots for your stock. Beets, carrots and turnips are highly relished by all animals in the winter as an agreeable change from the dry food. Put in your beets and carrots early. Turnips can go in later in the season, but the manure may be spread on the plot at any time during the spring.

THE Dorset sheep bear lambs twice a year and twins are frequent. They are the most prolific of all breeds. Whether they are the equals of some of the other breeds so far as mutton and wool are concerned, is to be determined. Breeders are giving them their attention, however.

EARLY varieties will not produce early crops unless the ground is rich. Everything that can be done to force the growth should be considered, and as soon as the early crops are harvested, the ground should be spaded and something else planted for a later supply.

To get a full crop of potatoes use plenty of manure or fertilizer. If manure, let it be fine and well rotted and applied liberally in rows. If fertilizer be used it should be applied in quantity to push the plants vigorously and to enable the crop to produce as much as possible. It does not pay to be too economical in the use of manure or fertilizer.

WINDOW plants may be grown any season of the year in the following manner: Soak a large piece of coarse sponge in water, squeeze half dry, and sprinkle in the openings red clover seed, millet, barley, grass, rice and oats. Hang it in the window where the sun shines a portion of the day, and sprinkle daily with water. It will soon form a mass of living green where even the clover will bloom.

IF any of our readers have a graft they desire to bear early, if they will bend it over and tie it fast to a branch below it, or tie a weight to a string suspended from it, the gradual bending of the graft will check the growth of it, and cause it to put out fruit spurs, and an early bearing will result. This plan is only of value where we want to quickly test new varieties, and is, of course, not intended for orchard use.

WHEN the farmer churns his milk, and sells butter he does not deprive his soil of fertility. The buttermilk may be fed to swine and poultry with profit, but when meat and eggs are sold the fertility of the soil goes also. Nothing robs the soil faster than selling milk, and unless the farmer procures fertilizers or buys a large proportion of bran and linseed meal his farm will deteriorate in quality.

THE better the quality of the manure the less cost of handling it. Bulk does not give quality and this is especially the case with manure. To haul and handle great quantities of unrotted, coarse, bulky material costs the labor of both men and teams. It is claimed that a ton of ordinary stable manure contains only twenty-five pounds of fertilizer in its concentrated form, and it is as expensive to handle this twenty-five pounds as it is to handle manure twice as valuable.

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Our family have been noted for their good bread *for years.* And coming from an old New England family, I was brought up to think that unless the bread was perfect there was nothing in the house that would take the place of it. Consequently I will give my recipe exactly, hoping that all will follow it who are not in the habit of having good bread.

To make wheat bread, take two quarts of finely sifted flour, put into the bread pan. Mix with this flour (with the ends of the fingers) a tablespoonful of lard and a piece of butter the size of an English walnut, one teaspoonful of salt and two of sugar. Mix all well together. Then make a hole in the centre of the flour and pour in the yeast cake which has been dissolved in about two tablespoonfuls of warm water. Stir this in thoroughly. Then add the sweet milk, (three half pints) which must be warmed first, by setting the milk in a pail, into hot water. In this way the milk will not become scalded, or burnt, or too hot Pour the milk in a little at a time and knead just twenty minutes by the clock. This is the most important part of all, I think. For the two quarts of flour I usually cut off a small corner of the compressed yeast cake, because the whole cake is too much. This recipe makes three large loaves. I raise mine over night, mould in the morning, and it is baked by 9.30 o'clock; the second raising takes about two hours in cold weather and less in warm. Bake an hour.

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"Take two quarts of flour, one quart of sweet milk less one gill, half of a small cake of yeast, one teaspoonful of salt, and one gill of luke warm water. Put the yeast in the water to soak. Heat one teacupful of the milk to the boiling point, and pour it over two heaping tablespoonfuls of flour, and beat until it is smooth. Slightly warm the rest of the milk and pour it in. Add the salt, and sift in one quart of flour. Stir until smooth then add the yeast, thoroughly rubbed up in the gill of water, and beat (not stir) the whole for ten minutes. Cover with a cloth and set in a warm place to rise. In about three hours it will be light. Warm the remaining quart of flour, add a heaping teaspoonful of powdered sugar to it and gradually work it into the light batter. The dough will be very soft and may require a little flour dredged on from time to time, to prevent it sticking to the pan and hands while kneading. Ten minutes' steady kneading will make it look smooth and satiny, it is then ready to cover and set in a warm place to rise again. In from two to three hours it will have risen to double its bulk and will be ready to make into loaves. Turn it out on a moulding-board and knead until it stops snapping, and looks fine and close grained. Divide into two loaves and put them into warmed and greased tins. Allow each loaf to rise to twice the size it was when put in the pan, then put into a pretty hot oven and bake three-quarters of an hour.

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PREPARING for planting is now the most important work on the farm. For the reason already stated, this will necessitate prompt and systematic action. Those who have planned to raise many acres of spring cereals and hoed crops must be up and doing at the earliest practicable moment, for they have much to do in little time if they properly prepare their ground for seeding at the usual period. For this preparatory labor—including the ploughing and other necessary manipulation of the soil to make a good seed-bed it is true economy to use the most approved implement and employ competent men and teams, in order that the work may be done satisfactorily. Spring is not the time to use cheap seeds, plants, help, or tools—indeed they are not desirable at any season.

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