



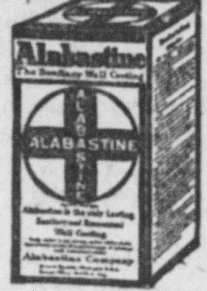
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#### An Ananias.

"G. W. Smith says he loves to live in the suburbs in winter."

"Humph! And the rascal was born on Washington's birthday and named after him, too."—Judge.

#### Her Chief Characteristic.

Miss Green, who was giving the class a lesson in mythology, turned suddenly to one untidy little fellow and said:

"Brownman, tell me for what virtues Diana was especially celebrated."

"For takin' baths," replied Brownman promptly.

#### Might Not Get the Children.

A young lady of ten was discussing her future with her mother.

"Yes, mommie," she said, "I shall get married and I shall have four children."

"That will be nice!" commented the mother.

"No!" continued the young lady after a minute or two of deep thought.

"Maybe I won't have four children. I might marry a bachelor!"—Saturday Evening Post.

#### Tired of It.

The four-year-old had taken his first proof in a gratifying spirit, had admitted his fault, and sued sweetly for pardon. Encouraged by his receptive attitude, his mother ventured to add a few general ethical truths; but with the first hint of transition from the concrete to the abstract a mild resentment dawned in his eye.

"Mother," he demanded, respectfully but firmly, "when is this conversation going to stop!"—Harper's Bazar.

## What's the Use of Cooking

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## LIVE STOCK



### BEEF SUPPLY OF THE FUTURE.

Perhaps No More Important Subject is Pressing Upon American Farmer Than Live Stock.

Another phase in western farm economy which is pressing for solution has to do with our future beef supply. The ranges are rapidly going out of business, for the double reason that the settlers have so encroached as to reduce the available area, and because the class of beef formerly produced on the range is no longer in demand.

In the present range country from 30 to 40 acres is required for the



A Profitable Specimen.

support of one steer, and it is stated that this same land will support at least 10 people when placed under cultivation.

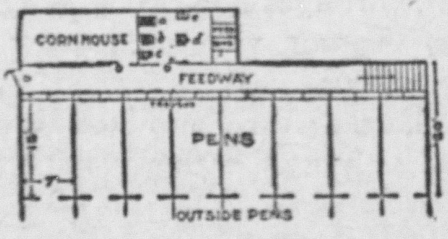
These conditions force the production of beef upon the farms, and perhaps no more important subject for study is pressing upon the American farmer. Breeding and feeding market cattle may, and probably will not be conducted upon the extensive scale of former years, but each farmer will raise a small number which, in the aggregate, will satisfy all market requirements. And then there will come the necessity of breeding better animals, as these only will be profitable under farm conditions, and this, in turn, will mean a better quality of beef on the market.

Scientific methods of farming go hand in hand with scientific methods of stock breeding, and it is up to the farmer who has already adopted the former to adopt the latter, as well.

### UP-TO-DATE HOUSE FOR HOGS.

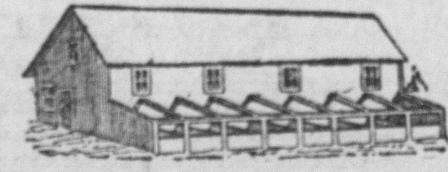
Arranged to Give 112 Square Feet to Each Pen—Room Above Makes Excellent Workshop.

The hog house shown in the illustration is 56x20 feet and gives 112 square feet to each pen. The feeding alley is four feet wide. The troughs are double, one for slop and



Ground Plan of Hog House.

one for corn. The corn house, with door to feedway, is filled direct from the field during the husking season. The feed room is equipped with bins for storing feed, cooker, feed grinder, gasoline engine, corn sheller and running water. The grinder and sheller are driven by the gasoline engine which runs a line shaft. A cellar under the feed room and corn house is convenient for storing small potatoes, turnips, beets, etc., for feeding during the winter months. The room



Elevation of Modern Hog House.

above the pens makes an excellent workshop, having plenty of light, and is warm during the coldest of winter months.

#### Sheep Raising.

Sheep rearing has been one of man's most profitable and important occupations since the very early times, but it is not known whether the present breeds of sheep had their origin in the wild species now known, or whether they come from species now extinct.

It is only in comparatively recent years that very general attempts have been made to improve the known breeds of sheep, and in making such improvement the farmers of America have devoted their principal attention to the fleece, while those of Canada and Britain pay more attention to carcass.

#### One Good Mutton Breed.

Mutton sheep should never be of mixed breeds on one farm. Get one good mutton breed, stick to it and develop it to the highest notch possible. A lot of mixed lambs never bring the highest price on the market. It is those of one breed, uniform in size, shape and condition that get the big money.

### TO MAKE COLTS PROFITABLE

Every Farmer Should Have Number of Young Horses Growing and Coming for Use and Sale.

In spite of the electric car, the automobile and other motive power, horses have increased in price commensurate with other farm animals. Every farmer should have a number of young horses growing and coming on for home use and for sale.

A colt can be grown as easily and cheaply as a calf, and at the same time the mare which mothers it will make a half team for general farm work. The writer has a team of young mares of nearly the same size and age. During the past season one of them reared a colt now worth at least \$75, while the other mare working by her side has reared none. The mare with the colt has done exactly the same work as the mare which has no colt and now at the close of the early summer's work she is in as good condition as her mate, with both on the same feed and care.

A colt, of course, is some bother and consumes some feed. The same is true in growing any domestic animal. But with a little patience in the handling of the mare and foal, a mare doing general farm work should raise two colts every three years and do about as well as with none. The colt will represent at least 100 per cent profit on the money and labor invested in it.

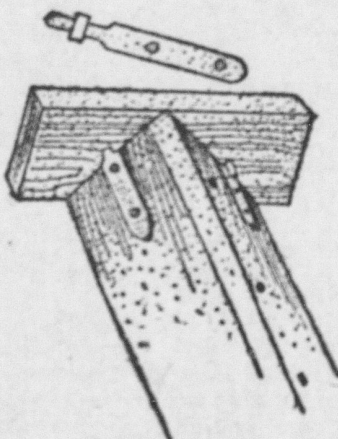
In fact, so little extra care and feed are required that the young animal can be grown without noticing the feed it consumes.

### EXCELLENT FOR PIG TROUGH.

Handy Device Can Easily Be Put Together to Prevent Leaking by Warping or Knocking About.

Here is a handy device for making a pig trough that I noticed on a neighbor's farm. The trouble with most wooden pig troughs is that they will get to leaking after a short period in use caused by their being wrenched from the hogs rooting them about or by reason of warping.

This simple device, which consists of a piece of flat iron on one end with a bolt and nut on the other will



Pig Trough.

hold the ends of the trough in place and keep it from leaking. If an iron washer is placed beneath the nut it will be a simple matter to tighten the nuts if occasion demand it. The old irons from a wagon box are just the things to use for this purpose. If the flat irons are attached with small bolts they will hold better than if put on with screws or nails.

#### Vetches for Sheep.

Vetches make excellent fodder for sheep either as a soiling crop or as cured hay. They may also be pastured by sheep, but this is a wasteful practice, as much of the crop is destroyed by tramping.

## LIVE STOCK NOTES

The pig, like other animals, suffers at times from derangement of the stomach.

The driver more than the horse is always more to blame for the animal's being vicious—if he ever is.

Don't grow any kind of live stock for pedigree. This is the worst thing against the pure-bred business. At farrowing time feed the sow lightly on corn for a few days to prevent exciting her feverish condition.

Never rush a horse on a down grade. This is one of the first causes of sprung knees and strained tendons.

For fattening sheep feed liberally of oat straw and about three pounds of corn fodder daily for a 100-pound sheep.

On his early training entirely depend a colt's usefulness and value as a horse, and it should begin the day it is foaled.

A horse or colt will drive better upon a two-thirds ration of hay and one-third of straw than upon a full ration of hay alone.

If you are not working your horses be sure to turn them, as well as the colts, out where they will get plenty of exercise and good fresh air.

When the plow horses are brought in at noon the harness should be removed and the shoulders washed and rubbed dry while they are feeding.

Do not be afraid to shoot any prowling stray dog that may be found on your farm and particularly if it should happen to be in the vicinity of the sheep.

All hogs do not equally utilize the feed consumed in the production of pork. Some make more pork than others from the same amount of food. The better the hog the less the feed costs in the production of a pound of pork.

### UNIQUE POSITION OF CLEVELAND PLAYER



PAUL THOMPSON PHOTO

Neal Ball, Naps' Great Utility Player.

Neal Ball stands in a rather peculiar position on the Cleveland club.

No one reckons that he has a chance to become a regular in the immediate future. The only thing that may bring that title to him is an injury to Nap Lajoie or a shift of Larry from second to first.

But every one reckons Neal a regular member of the club just as they do Larry, Gregg and Olson.

Neal isn't fighting for a job. He is a star utility man. Before the gong sounds announcing the opening of the campaign he can rest assured that his name will remain on the roster, no matter who else departs.

It is doubtful if there has ever been a parallel to his case in the history of baseball. A utility role is a hazardous one at its best.

Forced to rest upon the bench during the greater part of a season, then suddenly called upon to jump into a breach during the heat of a race, asked perhaps, to fill the shoes of a man who has been playing brilliantly, the

fans invariably demand that the utility player deliver the same high-class article as the man who preceded him. It's an injustice to expect a man, virtually out of practice, to do so. The utility player who can do so is one of the rarest things in baseball. By the same token he is almost invaluable.

That's just what makes Neal Ball a great player for the Cleveland club. The folks around the circuit are still talking about his performance last year. There was not a better fielding second baseman in the league. A huge number of the critics and players believe that Neal was the greatest fielding second baseman of 1911.

Neal is undoubtedly one of the most popular players with his teammates that the club has ever had. It is doubtful if anyone ever heard a Cleveland player criticize the "triple play hero." He's everyone's friend. He's a conscientious athlete. On the field he gives the club everything he possesses. Off the field he takes perfect care of himself.

### PIRATES' HOODOO IS SOLVED

Pittsburg Team Find Long-Wanted First Baseman in "Dots" Miller—Has Hard Job Ahead.

The Pittsburg team of the National league claims to have found its long looked-for first baseman in "Dots" Miller, the Kearney, N. J. boy, who has been shifted from second base to first. The Pirates have searched diligently for a first baseman ever since they traded Kitty Bransfield to the Phillies in the spring of 1905. In the last seven years the Smoky City aggregation has tried out first sackers by the wholesale, but never succeeded in landing a high class man. Among the men tried were Del Howard, Nealon, Flynn, Swacina, Gill, Abstein, Sharpe, Hunter, Keating and McKechnie, but none of them suited Fred Clarke or the Pittsburg fans.

Last spring and through all of 1910 the Pittsburg scribes were singing



"Dots" Miller.

the praises of Fred Hunter, said to be by far the greatest first sacker that ever performed in the American association. Fred lasted half the season, when he was shunted to the side lines, and was released before the season was over.

Followers of the Pirates now are

asking themselves whether Miller also will prove to be a fizzle at first base. "Dots" has a hard job ahead of him, as there seems to be a hoodoo to the position on the Pittsburg team. It is even intimated in Pittsburg that Hans Wagner would rather not tackle the place, as he believes he might succumb to the hoodoo and lose his batting eye or his fielding ability.

## NOTES of the DIAMOND

The St. Louis Browns send Pitcher Hawk back to Burlington.

Birmingham has released Charles Bell, a recruit, to Chillicothe, O.

The veteran Happy Jim Cradle will play the outfield with Oshkosh.

Stahl, Davis, Callahan and Griffith, all in new berths, are making good with a rush.

St. Paul has sold its giant catcher, Hub Dawson, to the Beaumont club of the Texas league.

Joe Ralidy, last season manager of the Zanesville team, has been given his unconditional release.

Charles B. Smith will manage the New Castle team of the Ohio-Pennsylvania league for Owner Leist.

Veteran Jack Warner says Amos Rusie had more puzzling curves and better control than Rube Marquard.

Manager Wallace of the Browns has sent a recruit first baseman named Miller to Lowell, along with Wolfgang and Magee.

"If you can show me a better outfield than Carey, Donlin and Wilson, I'll buy," says Fred Clarke, the Pirate's manager.

Clark Griffith has his eye on Tal Pendleton, the brilliant football player and speedy shortstop of the Princeton baseball team.

"If St. Louis could buy Lajoie for \$10,000 he would more than earn the purchase price back for them in ten days," says Hughie Jennings.

President Comiskey, of the White Sox, has promised his team a training trip to California in the spring of 1912, the year of the Panama exposition.

Big Bill James, the Cleveland pitcher, has the biggest hand of any player in the major league. A baseball look like a pea in the giant's hand.

### DOES YOUR BACK ACHE?

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"When your Back is Lame, Remember the Name—DOAN'S." 50c all stores. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

### DOMESTIC AMENITIES.



Hubby—I've waited an hour for you to get your hat on straight. Wife—Well, I've waited longer than that for you to get your feet on straight.

### TWO CURED OF SKIN TROUBLE

"I have suffered from birth with skin trouble, and doctored with four of the best doctors that could be found, without any lasting effects. Then I used several kinds of patent medicines, only growing worse instead of better. After using them a long time I was so bad that it took the hair off my head, and even my eyebrows too, and made my eyes so bad that I was kept in a dark room for several weeks. I was out of my head for a long time. A friend told me to get some of the Cuticura Remedies and she knew they would cure me, so I got some packages of Cuticura Ointment and Resolvent and used them and was cured. This was about two years ago, and I have never had a touch of it since."

"Also my husband had had salt rheum for twenty-three years, and after I had such a wonderful cure through the use of the Cuticura Remedies, he sent for some Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment and Resolvent, and used them himself and he was cured. His flesh was covered with stuff like fish scales, especially in the winter, and he even had it in his hair so bad he had to keep his hair cut close to his head. It even grew down on his face, but we are now both happy over our cures through the use of Cuticura treatment." (Signed) Mrs. Laurence Butler, Chesterfield, N. H., Jan. 10, 1911.

Although Cuticura Soap and Ointment are sold everywhere, a sample of each, with 32-page book, will be mailed free on application to "Cuticura," Dept. L, Boston.

#### Having Fun.

The brilliant wit of the Bar looked at the moon-faced farm laborer and winked at his friends and whispered, "Now we'll have some fun."

"Have you been married?" he began.

"Ye-ees," stammered the laborer, "once."

"Whom did you marry?"

"A w-woman, sir."

"Come, my good man, of course it was a woman. Did you ever hear of any one marrying a man?"

"Ye-ees, sir; my sister did."

#### A Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank the public for the kind words said for my book on Rheumatism; its cause and cure. I feel very grateful and well repaid for the fifteen years of labor that I have given to the subject.

I would add that I have a few more books left and they are free to any sufferer from Rheumatism, that would like one. No matter what your condition is from this terrible disease I would advise you to read it. THOUSANDS SAY IT IS THE MOST WONDERFUL BOOK EVER WRITTEN on the subject of Rheumatism.

I suffered with Rheumatism for over twenty years. I have not had a Rheumatic pain for over eight years.

If you would like my book, write today. DON'T SEND A STAMP; IT IS ABSOLUTELY FREE.

JESSE A. CASE, Dept. D, Brockton, Mass.

#### Auto Suggestion.

To show how unconsciously a man's business may be in his mind at all times, I took a financial operator to a fancier to select a dog, and what kind of a dog do you think he asked for at once?

"What kind?"

"A water dog. Said he had heard it was a good stock proposition."

#### Literal.

"Did you take the fast train west?"

"No; I left that for the engineer to do."—Baltimore American.

Dyspepsia, despair not! While there's Garfield Tea, there's hope.

Don't kick till you know just where 'as Aho's pinches.