



MARKING SHEEP.

The best ear marks for sheep are the metal nickel plated loops, upon which are stamped the owner's name and the numbers of the sheep.

THE PERFECT FARM HORSE.

The perfect farm horse has not been developed yet, and it is probable that there may not be entire concurrence in the ideal drawn.

TREE PLANTING.

Mr. N. Ohmer, the well known horticulturist of Dayton, Ohio, recently made the following statement with regard to tree planting before the students of the School of Agriculture of the Ohio State University:

"I give special attention to planting. I consider this matter of planting a very important one. It is really very much neglected. I set my trees a little deeper in the orchard than they stand in the nursery."

"Have you a plan for keeping your trees in line in planting?" "I have always exercised great care in setting my trees to have them well arranged. I use a very simple device of my own."

POULTRY FOR RUN-DOWN FARMS.

New England has always used the raw material of other States and manufactured goods of all kinds in which her people have excelled.

Of late years it has been largely advertised that many farms in some sections of New England no longer pay, and that their owners have ceased to take an interest in them, even going so far as to abandon them in cases that have been noticed.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

Who doesn't love chrysanthemums? Yet comparatively few raise them, the reason usually given being that they are too much trouble.

One nice way to manage them is to fit a lot of egg-shells into a box, fill the shells with sandy soil, and in each one plant a seed, covering them to a depth equal to about twice the thickness of the seed.

giving them manure water two or three times a week. Not absolutely necessary, of course, but it will pay any one to go to the trouble, for the blooms will be not only more abundant but larger and more brilliant.

To do this they should be more shaded than the other plants and not cut back so early in the season. Then when brought into the house they should be kept as cool as possible not to freeze.

Some persons do not sow the seed until the season is so far advanced that they may be sown in open ground. They grow all summer where sown, but are potted early in the fall, being trimmed back at that time.

THE FARMER'S GARDEN.

It is probably true that farm gardens, vegetable and fruit gardens, will be more generally cultivated this year than ever before, for the reason that we are daily learning more of the requirements of life and discover them only in a well supplied table, and that the latter is found only where the kitchen garden affords the necessary material.

A good sized two acres near to the house should be laid off, thoroughly plowed, well manured and put in the finest possible till. Then determine what vegetables you want for spring, summer, autumn and winter use.

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FARM AND GARDEN NOTES.

It is in working the butter that the fine art of butter-making comes in.

Eggs from pullets are not apt to hatch as well as those from adult fowls.

In every country school agriculture, horticulture and dairying should be taught.

Poultry powders are rarely required for flocks that are fed and cared for properly.

The secret in growing large and fine chickens is to feed often and but little at a time.

There is a better market for small cheeses than for those weighing forty or fifty pounds.

Proper care and feeding are even more necessary than breeding for early maturity of stock.

Little ducks require almost twice as much food as chicks, but they grow very rapidly. They should be fed four times a day and given all they will eat.

It is said that unrendered beef tallow chopped into very small pieces and mixed in the feed for two or three days will put a fine gloss on the plumage of show birds.

HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS.

TO REMOVE WHITE SPOTS.

The best way of removing the white spots caused by water drops on crepe is an exceedingly simple one. Lay the crepe on a table with a piece of black silk beneath it.

TO DRAIN THE DISHES.

An appliance that will at once recommend itself as a useful accessory to the kitchen is a table grooved and inclined so that all the water upon it drains to an outlet at the front into the basin in which the articles have been washed.

KEEPING HOUSEHOLD ACCOUNTS.

To one who has never kept an account of the expenses and income of the house it may seem like quite an undertaking, but when it is once begun, one gets so interested in it that it becomes easy.

To begin, provide yourself with a firmly bound blank book, not too small; twelve inches long by eight wide is a convenient size.

Begin a new page each month for both dry goods and groceries, and if you have a large credit account use a separate page for that. I usually make one page do for dry goods and credit by marking a divided line across the page near the middle and using the lower half for credit.

At the end of each month add the amounts up and set down under their respective columns, and at the end of the year it will be only necessary to look at these figures to see what the expenses for the year have been.

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RECIPES.

Veal Kidney Sauté—Melt a lump of butter in the chafing dish, have a quarter of an onion chopped fine, and brown it in the butter.

Lobster a la Newburg—Have ready two medium-sized lobsters, cut into dice. Cook slowly for five minutes.

English Monkey—Have ready one cupful of stale bread crumbs which have been soaked in one cupful of milk for fifteen minutes. Put a heaping tablespoonful of butter in the chafing dish and when melted add half a cupful of mild cheese, cut fine.

Tongue Soup—Put a small tongue into a stew pan with trimmings and bones of fowl or veal and stew gently for four hours; skim carefully. Take out the tongue, skin and clean it and leave it to cool.

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