

Agricultural.

Care of Cows.

The care of cows is something that requires knowledge and pains-taking in details. Make your cows comfortable. Abstain from all abuses; let no rude boys have access to them; do not dog-whip them. If a cow is disposed to be ugly, breachy and hard to manage, you do not want her, or if you do, secure her against harm in this respect, and let kind words be the string to lead her rather than laid on. You will form an attachment thus, and this will be a benefit. By giving cows good quarters, the rains and snow of cold weather are avoided, and instead of shivering out in the cold, your stock is having bright looks and dry coats, chewing its food in contentment. Winter feeding should be higher than that of summer or fall. Besides the frugal of those seasons, we would add some grain food; for the oncoming of cold weather is an increased tax upon the vitality of the animal economy; albeit warm stables and sheltered yards counteract much of this influence. In the winter as well as at any other season, if we do desire it. The second growth of clover is excellent for this. A plenty of good hay a liberal supply of roots and a small amount of corn meal, will carry a cow through the winter in a fine condition, and all the time she will yield a liberal flow of milk, producing a handsome profit on the expense of feeding. That is, if she has been well fed and cared for through the summer and autumn. The health and welfare of not only the cow, but of her offspring, are greatly influenced by the treatment she receives before calving; a healthy cow that calves in good condition will usually bring forth a healthy calf with greater certainty of doing well, herself and young, than one which is in high flesh. There is a condition, wherein a cow should be kept, that is, she should be kept in good condition; in this condition both the cow and her young will do better than either of the other two. A poor ill-looking cow may have a possible calf, but the odds are that the calf will exhibit the same poor, rickety appearance of the mother, showing that there has been something radically wrong; also, the after milking of the cow tells the same tale. Do not crowd hundreds of cows close together, but give each cow plenty, upon which there is more cheer with cows. They will look more or less, and in large herds there is always loss. The third and best method of raising cows is to keep them in good condition. This can be done by giving them a larger space will not do, as the cows at different times must take their rest. Put together such as weak and most harmless as in the case of sheep. Blunt the horns of the cow, and the low dominating horns they separate. One animal will sometimes do more mischief than another. We cannot insist too strongly upon kindness to milk cows. These in milk should be kept quiet at all times. Quietness, a quiet life is the life for Brindley. She will give more milk, will give it readily; will be milked if kindly treated. She will go into the habit of doing this, as the habit of early coming to milk, say the second year, has an influence. The cow is a home animal and will take on domestic attachments. The Jersey is peculiarly adapted in this respect. A wild animal, that will do any thing, will not do so well in a milking vicinity, as a mild quiet animal. It should be the business, especially of every dairyman to see to it that his cows are treated to kindness, and that they are not molested by one another. Mr. Willard says in the *Civic Herald*: "We have often wondered why men, who are of a naturally saving disposition, and also would be shocked to see a pint of milk spilled in the milk house, should allow guards and gallons to be lost in the management of the herd in the stables, milking cows with heavy boots, striking with a stout and keeping the animals in constant fear. We have no doubt that the quality as well as the quantity of milk is influenced by the excitement and nervous agitation." - *American Journal.*

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