

**For the Revue.**  
**Norway Oats.**  
Messrs. Erross-Sire: I noticed an article in your columns, under the head of "Norway Oats," from Mr. Plummer of Athens, which no doubt is an honest statement of fact as he had experience in them. But it is only the written statement of one man, and I do not deem it right to insert an article in the Revue—a paper having so large a circulation, and that in the farming heart of the State—that would have a tendency to discourage trials of the so-called Norway, that might meet with entirely different results with others having the right seed. Mr. P. says he purchased his seed of Jones & Clark, D. W. Ramsdell's agents. He no doubt thinks that the genuine seed, because it came from headquarters; says he saw no difference in the seed, growth, formation, straw, color, &c., between them and his common oats grown in the same field. Now, he either must have had very weak eyes, or been terribly humbugged, the same as a great many of the farmers of Bradford; for some from the same source received nothing but the old common black oats, and they terribly adulterated with thistle and other obnoxious weeds. If Mr. P. has been humbugged, he is not the first, and ought not to publish it to discourage improvement among the farmers of Bradford. For if there is any virtue in the Norway Oats, let the people of this county have the benefit of it. We want the best oats, as well as the best of all grain, growing in our fields. Let the way be left open for improvement—let the old bars for hindrance—get out of that old rut that has worn so deep in the minds of many; no change, no improvement. Now, Sir, there is an oat bearing that name, this is far superior to our common oat. In looks, weight, hinned of husk, shell of straw, and in growth of straw, better far for this country, coming from a cold and rigid climate to one more mild, the yield per acre being far greater, producing from 100 to 150 bushels weighing 48 pounds per bushel. I think I can furnish Mr. Plummer some in which he may see a very great difference from his common oats—or any other variety grown in the county. Norway Oat—\$5.00 per bushel, being some difference in the price, that he paid, and grown in this county, coming direct from D. W. Ramsdell two years ago. E. M. ASHLEY.  
Harris, Jan. 31, 1876.

**Random Thoughts.**  
No farmer should build a house or make any other improvement, without ascertaining beforehand the probable cost of the same. The preliminary expense of everything is essential to all agricultural work, and he who neglects it will be apt to discover his error after it is too late.  
Ten bushels of boiled potatoes, washed and mixed with three bushels of finely ground meal, will make as much pork as double the quantity fed in a raw state.  
One or two applications of butter-milk will destroy lice on cattle, and is a safe remedy to drive off the vermin.  
In feeding potatoes and turnips to cattle they will sometimes get a putrid or turnip lodged in the passage to the stomach, in which case a common flexible wagon-wheel pushed gently down the throat, will remove the object and give instant relief.  
The most speedy method of making cider into vinegar is to not fill the casks more than half full, and with left out, which will expose the largest surface to the air, and consequently will become vinegar much sooner than if the barrel be filled up.  
The farmer in the manufacture and care of his manure heap, should always keep in view that what is in preparation should not be allowed to loose strength by too rapid fermentation or have its soluble parts unnecessarily washed away and lost.  
The best feed for horses affected with the heaves, is such as is nutritious and succulent, and should be condensed with the least amount of water possible. Dry and dusty hay is injurious, and makes the animal weak and listless. Moistened ground feed, potatoes, carrots and rutabagas are the best feed for animals having this disease, and if the water to drink would be given to the horse out of a case with slacked lime at the bottom and stirred occasionally, it would materially lessen the difficulty of breathing. Persons owning horses afflicted with the heaves, and neglecting to feed and treat them properly, should be visited by Mr. Bergh or some other member of that humane society and admonished that it is contrary to law to oppress the poor dumb brutes.  
Among the best of remedies to cure the teats of cows is to smear the teats with syrup molasses before milking. It is cleaner and pleasanter than some other greasy remedies.  
A simple and very effectual remedy for sore lark in horses is a plaster made of the yolk of an egg and a teaspoonful of turpentine.—*Journal of the Farm.*  
**PAST is the Tool Room.**—Paint pots and brushes are among the good investments upon the farm. They are suggestive of carefulness and thrift. The essential materials in a good paint are linseed oil and white lead. Coloring matter is cheap, and not much of it is needed to give an desired shade. Not much skill is required in the mixing, and any farmer can soon learn to paint his own buildings, tools, vehicles and harness. Tools last much longer if their wood-work is kept well painted or oiled. Linseed oil, well bottled, without the lead makes an excellent protection for axle helms, and the handles of all tools that are much exposed to the weather. Cheap paints are usually poor investments, except for specific purposes.—*Cur. Farmer.*  
**A Good Cow.**—An Alderney cow belonging to Mr. Turner, of Northfield Farm, Mass., has been kept on an ordinary pasture, and fed with a small quantity of green corn fodder and two quarts of wheat bran. In thirty-one days, between the 19th of August and the 20th of September, from the milk of this cow, thirty-six pounds of first quality butter was made.—*Er.*

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