

Tuesday, August 12, 1873.

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

We invite communications from all persons who are interested in matters properly belonging to this department.

Curry Comb, Card and Brush.

There is a world of comfort and downright luxury in a good scratch, both for human people and for domestic animals. Posts and bars for rubbing and scratching should be put up in pastures and barn yards, and kept moderately rough so as to take hold of the skin.

But our principal object in this present writing is to insist upon a more free use of the curry-comb and brush, upon horses and cattle, at all seasons. These stable implements are not used as often and regularly as they should be by the generality of farmers. A good dressing down of the horse each morning with the curry-comb and brush is fully equal in health-giving power and elasticity of movement, to quarts of oats. It is a grateful attention, repaid in many fold by the animal which is the stated recipient of it.

But while bestowing this care on the horse as most persons do, knowing its beneficial effects, they very generally seem to forget that oxen and cows are equally benefited by daily application of the card. There is no room for doubt on this subject with those who have been accustomed to bestow this attention to the dairy and working stock. A free use of the card gives repose to the animals, enables them to enjoy and digest their food in quiet instead of raking their bodies against posts, trees and fences, as opportunity offers for allaying the irritation produced by the accumulation of dust, hay seed, and other irritants common to the stable and barnyard. Even young colts, calves and yearlings are greatly benefited by the use of the card, while its daily use is a step in the breaking or training process by which the services of the animals are made more readily available when properly matured for labor.

It seems absurd to scrub a fattineng porker, but those who have practiced it concur in its utility.-One reason why hogs like to immerse themselves in pools of stagnant water, is found in the fact that their bodies become encrusted with dirt, causing an itching which the pool they seek allays. This irritation renders them restless, and wetards the process of fattening very materially. This can be prevented by an application of soap-suds, aided by a splint broom commonly used to clean stables with .- A liberal application of suds and a good scrubbing daily will allay irritation and give that repose to the animals which is essential to steady and rapid accumulation of flesh and fatty matter. The labor of preparing and applying the wash at least once a day during the milder portions of the season, will be amply remunerated in the increased weight of the animals when the slaughtering season arrives.

Worth While for Women to Know.

People are content to understand very little of the conditions of comfort in houses. The question of health may be left to the care of physicians, and that of beauty to the architect, but one would suppose on matters of comfort each one would look out for himself. There is excuse for this neglect in business men, who are hardly at home long enough to know whether a house is tenable or not; but it is strange that women will endure damp, foul odors, smoke and dust year after year without trying to semove the nuisances. The only idea most women have of suppressing any evil of the sort is to "send for a man to fix it." Workmen are not always to be had, and, if they are, cost money, and a breach of comfort may last years before every thing comes together for its mending. A woman needs both muscle and management to take care of a family, unless she can afford to pay a third of her income for these things in others. The clever woman is an actual acquaintance, who goes about her house, spying a loose knob here and screwing it up, springing with her light plane to smooth down a door that sticks in the casing, fitting a neat strap to prevent a window's rattling, besides papering, painting, and warnishing with more nicety than one mechanic out of a dozen. Such a woman is worthy to be called a house-mother, after the good German word. How can a woman live years within four walls and not grow foud of them, and seek to add to their -comfort ?'

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