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During the season of 1846, 1847 and 1848, I instituted a series of experiments which were conducted with all the care I was able to bestow, for the express purpose of testing the value of the various kinds of cattle-feed in connection with pasturage.

First—That buckwheat bran, when only the best of the flour was removed, would produce the greatest amount of milk, but that the cow would lose in weight or fall off in condition, whether it was fed with whey or water.

Second—That oatmeal would increase the quantity of milk nearly as much as buckwheat, and that the cow would gain in weight at the same time twice as fast as the cow fed with buckwheat would lose in weight.

Third—That wheat shorts (costing at that time ten dollars per ton, and before the millers knew how to dust out every particle of flour) were next to oats in value for the production of milk.

Fourth—That barley would rank as number four for the production of milk, and as number two for increasing the weight of the cow.

Fifth—That cornmeal would stand number five producing milk, and as number one for increasing the weight of the cow. But little of the corn and barley meal was fed alone, but most of it fed with wheat shorts mixed in equal quantities by weight.

My sixth conclusion is, that grass is better food than any kind of grain for dairy cows, where milk alone is the object sought, and that no dairyman on good grass land costing less than \$60 per acre can afford to feed it during the summer season in connection with pasturage.

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out of a common nutrient fluid.—Massachusetts Plowman.

Food For Young Chickens.—Chickens want no food for many hours after they are hatched, as they are then digesting the yolk of the egg, which constitutes their first food, and acquiring strength to run about.

HUMOROUS.

NOTHING TO SPEAK OF.—It was at the Essex bar that Rufus Choate first appeared. His business reputation and success as an advocate sending him to all the courts in the State, and giving him a name wherever eloquence had power.

When I first go out, was the answer. 'You need it,' said Mr. C., 'to give you an appetite for your breakfast. Then I suppose you need a glass to settle your breakfast?'

'Yes, again was the answer, and as Mr. C. put the question—how about supper?—the court interposed and said, 'Why, Mr. Choate, you have no right to this question a witness.'

He answered with a smile, 'I know it, your honor, but if the witness does not object, I certainly do not.'

Witness took his seat, and Mr. Choate rose to address the jury. At length he reached the point on which the county attorney relied. Said he, the last witness told you so and so giving the substance of his testimony. This he went on to say, would be fatal to his client. 'But,' said he, 'gentlemen, I saw in your very expression you did not believe him, and I saw too that the court did not credit a word he said.'

A suburban minister applied to a ticket agent, on one of the railroads, for a 'clergyman's ticket,' and on the official expressing a doubt as to his clerical character, exclaimed; 'If you don't believe I'm a clergyman, I'll read you one of my sermons!' The agent passed over the ticket, but did not insist upon the proof.

A land agent in Colorado remarked to an inquiring emigrant, that all that was needed to make the place a paradise was a comfortable climate, water, and good society. 'That is all that is lacking in here—!' was the reply.

An old lady hearing some one reading about a Congressman-at-large, reached to the kitchen door, shouting 'Sarah Jane, Sarah Jane! don't you leave the clothes out all night; mind, I tell you; for there's a Congressman at large!'

On a very pretty girl's saying to Leigh Hunt, 'I am very sad you see,' he replied, 'Oh! no; you belong to the other Jewish sect; you are very fair I see!'

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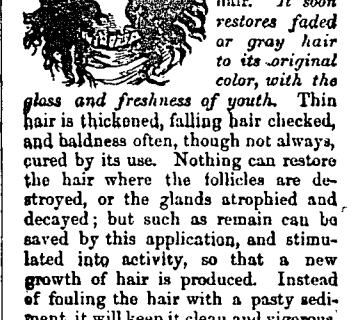
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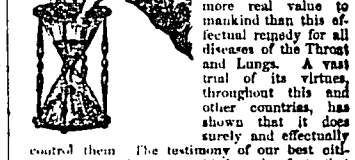
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