

Farmer's Column.



ROTATION OR CHANGE OF CROPS.

A subscriber to the American Agriculturist, at Somerset Co., Md., writes: 'I have about 80 acres of medium quality tillable land. Soil, a sandy loam. One half is in corn. The other half lies fallow with a natural growth, quite thick and green. According to the system of planting prevailing in this Peninsula, this fallow ground would be put in corn next year, and the other part lie out to recruit itself with its natural growth. I find that so much corn makes exhausting work, and I think such a system of tillage is gradually over-perishing the soil.'

I think I could do better, as follows: Suppose I turn under my present fallow ground, while it is yet green; harrow it well; drill it with wheat, and immediately after give it a top dressing of lime. Leave enough ground, however, of this half, to sow down in oats, to make grain for my horses. Then next Spring, sow the whole half with clover. At the same time flush up the other half, and put it in some better grass (timothy or clover) than its natural growth, to be cut in the Summer and cured for stock, and then turned under in the fall to receive wheat and oat, and thenceforth to continue one half in wheat and oats with clover, and the other half in clover for cutting, and turning under. It seems to me that this system would make vastly less work (especially if having all the necessary machinery,) and would also rapidly improve the soil, and exterminate the weeds.'

REMARK.—Probably the proposed change of treatment would be an improvement. The light growth of grass and weeds ordinarily springing up on a summer fallow, is a very inadequate return to make to land from which a crop of corn is gathered every alternate year. Corn is a strong feeder, and must draw heavily upon the original productive elements of the soil, unless there be added something to replace what is required for the growth of the crop. Under such a system the fertility of the land will deteriorate year by year, until it becomes "worn out," as is seen in thousands of acres in Virginia, where unintermitted cultivation of tobacco has drained the soil of its fatness, and left too poor to pay for plowing, until brought into condition by the addition of fertilizing material. But the plan suggested, may be still further improved by the introduction of stock to feed off the clover during the season after the wheat and oats have been harvested. They will give a good account of the food they consume in the weight of beef added to their frames, and also in the manure which they have scattered over the fields. This will more rapidly bring up the condition of the land, than removing the larger part of the growth, by cutting and curing. It will also be fully as profitable to buy stock in the Spring, fatten, and turn them off in the Fall, as to cut the clover for their consumption in Winter.

THE MULE. A correspondent of the Wisconsin Farmer sums up the merits of the mule as compared with the horse as follows: 1. He is much more easily and cheaply raised than the horse. 2. He eats but little more than half as much when matured. 3. He is satisfied with and thrives upon a coarser and less expensive kind of provender. 4. It costs less to keep him to harness and shoes. 5. He is proportionally stronger. 6. He is very much tougher. 7. He is less liable to disease. 8. He has more sense and docility. 9. He is better adapted to some important kinds of work. 10. He is a true puller, and, when loaded, a quick traveler. 11. He sells for a better price. 12. He is better looking. 13. In making but fleeter he is excelled by the horse.

JELLY CAKE. Mix one pound of sugar and one pound of butter until light add eight eggs gradually and mix; flavor with extract of orange, then add fourteen ounces of flour and mix well through; then spread the dough out in thin round sheets on white paper, about a large tablespoonful in each. Lay the papers on pans and bake in a quick heat. Do not bake too much. When cold take them off the paper, and put them in piles of two or three thick with any kind of jelly or jam between each layer, trim off the edge all round, and sit sugar over them, or they can be iced and ornamented.

CORN HUSKS.—There is ready sale for this article at about \$10 per ton at the farm in many sections. It is not worth this for fodder, and the difference, if it be cash, will pay for saving them.

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