

The Bloomfield Times.

HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN. We invite communications from all persons who are interested in matters properly belonging to this department.

Stanchions better than Chains.

If we would keep the cattle clean at any cost, then how should we have them clean at least cost. It is fancy farming, it seems to me, to reach our ends at too high cost. Best farming, that which meets our ends with shortest purse. The old time stanchion is better than the chains I see in some new barns. The old style was not chains, perhaps; because chains could not be made at home, and had to be paid for in money, but I find the old style here, shows a common sense, as it often does, that the present is wanting in. In going to a cattle show once, driving the cattle along that road, they ran into a door-yard, as cattle will. I found the farmer, a gentleman from the city, who was completing a new barn, explaining to his carpenter how he should have his cows fastened. Mr. S., called upon me to wait a moment. I let my boy go on with the cattle, and went into the barn. The carpenter was explaining the stanchion he put up last. Said Mr. S., "I will have none of this. Put in chains. Who would put their cows' necks in stocks? No, I must have a modern barn. My cows must be comfortable. I'll not have them stiff with standing in one place, like half-frozen calves I sometimes see. Cows, to do well, must have space to move freely, step back and sideways, turn the neck to lap themselves. How say you, neighbor?"

"It is well cows should be comfortable," I replied, "and cows must have exercise. Chains will allow them some exercise in the standing place. But it seems to me, I could not afford to give my cows exercise in my barn. I think it best to turn them out into the yard for this, and I find they can be very comfortable and not get stiff if they have the yard to sun themselves in two or three times a week. I have them in the yard most all the pleasant days. They cannot be out too much when they are more happy out than in. If I did not do my own work, or cared not for expense, but only wished to see my cattle most comfortable, then I might have chains as you propose." "How so," said he, "do you then think chains more comfortable, and yet like stanchions because they are cheaper simply?" "No; but because the old stanchion is comfortable enough if cows are not kept tied up longer than they should be. There is economy, I find, in keeping cows from stepping back or forward, because they keep themselves more out of the manure, and if they have much play of the neck, it is well enough so long as the animals are pleasant. But let one get cross, she gives a poke with her horns, and very likely her next neighbor may slip a calf. Some of the fine modern conveniences have their off side. Then again chains break; stanchions do not." The carpenter, I saw, felt he had gained a point by my presence, and I remember the incident the better since Mr. S., came to see me the next day, to look at my barn, and said that although the books were all on one side, he believed grandfather's times were at too great a discount sometimes. This "sometimes" came in with a twinkling in the eye. A trench just back of the slightly inclining floor upon which the cattle stand, some four or five inches deep and twenty inches wide, is large enough. Every little distance, say for every sixth cow, there should be a lift-up to let the manure down through into the cellar. Back of this trench it is convenient to have a passage way for the cows to walk on in coming to their tie-ups from the yard. This is preferable to their walking up through the trench. One thing more to cleanliness. Dust the floor beneath the cattle each day with sand or loam or saw dust, and if you have straw for them to lie on, as I have not, it is all the better.

Lice On Cattle.

Lice may accumulate in great numbers before they are discovered. Sometimes they are diffused all over the skin, and at other times they are confined to the mane, the tail, and parts adjacent. The horse is frequently rubbing himself, and often the hair falls out in large patches. There are many lotions, powders and ointments for destroying lice. Mercurial ointments, lotions of corrosive sublimate and decoctions of tobacco are so dangerous that they never should be used. Refuse oil or lard rubbed on a fousy beast of any kind immediately destroys the vermin, and there is no danger to be apprehended from its application. It merely occasions the hair being earlier in the spring, and requires a little extra attention in the housing of such animals as have been affected. Vinegar mixed with three times its bulk of water is also a good application, and not at all dangerous. It is most irritating, but the irritation soon subsides, and it does not sicken the horse; tobacco often will. Next day the skin should be examined, and wherever there is any sign of living vermin another application should be made. Two days afterwards the horse should be washed with soapy water, warm, and applied with a brush that will reach the skin without irritating it.

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