

The Bloomfield Times.

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

Do Hens Reason.

A hen made a nest in a box in the baggage car, and in the course of time had fifteen eggs and stuck to them through thick and thin night and day, except to step off the train occasionally to get food and water, and recently hatched thirteen chickens, notwithstanding the rumbling, rolling process the eggs passed through.

There are four native modes of making butter in the empire of Brazil. The first is by putting the milk in a common bowl and beating it with a spoon, as you would an egg. The second by pouring the milk into a bottle, and shaking it till the butter appears, when it is removed by breaking off the top of the bottle.

A New Use for Onions.

A New Hampshire paper states that the speediest way to cure the epizootic and make a horse thoroughly happy is to give him onions. In proof whereof the case of a Portsmouth horse is cited, which had a severe attack of the disease, and his owner placed half a dozen onions with his regular feed.

Poultry Diet.

Cayenne pepper, mustard or ginger can with great benefit be added to the food of fowls, to increase their vigor, and to stimulate egg-production. This apparently artificial diet will seem to be natural if we remember that wild birds of the gallinaceous genus get access to very many highly-spiced berries and buds; articles that give the "game flavor" to their flesh.

Facts for the Housekeeper.

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