

The Bloomfield Times.

HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN.

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

A New England agricultural paper says that Vermont is relatively more of an agricultural State than any of her New England sisters, fifty per cent of her people following that calling to a little less than forty per cent. in Maine, thirty-eight per cent. in New Hampshire, less than thirty per cent. in Massachusetts, twenty-two per cent. in Connecticut, and about thirteen per cent. in Rhode Island.

To make Japan for iron, mix shell-lac varnish with a sufficient quantity of ivory-black or lamp-black. Other methods are the following: 1. Asphaltum, 1 lb.; melt, then add hot balsam of capivi, and thin with turpentine. 2. Grind lampblack very smooth, and add copal varnish to the proper consistency. 3. Asphaltum, 3 ounces; boiled oil, 4 quarts; burnt-umber, 8 ounces; mix by heat, and when cooling thin with turpentine. 4. Umber, 13 ounces; asphaltum, 2 ounces; fuse by heat, and add boiled oil, half pint; resin, 2 ounces; when cooling add 1 pint of turpentine.

Cow Choking.

A veteran farmer told me a few days ago of a method of relieving a choking cow which was new to me, but which he assured me was unfailing. It is worthy of trial at any rate. A round stick, two or three inches long, is put into the cow's mouth, like a bit into a horse's mouth. A string is then fastened to each end of the stick and tied to the horns or up over the head. This forces her to keep her mouth open and allows the gas which forms in the stomach, and is the cause of the severe pain and rapid-swelling which accompanies choking in a cow, to escape. The effort also of trying to rid the mouth of its unusual encumbrance is the best help toward freeing the passage of the throat; if the trouble is not relieved in this way the cow may be kept alive until help is obtained for trying other measures for her relief. In such cases time is of great importance. He assures me he has seen his plan tried in many cases, and in none had it failed of a complete cure in less than half an hour.

Sowing Grain.

A great many farmers are getting "sick" of seeding land with grain in the spring, not that it never does well, but because the risk is too great. Growing rye with late sown grass has this advantage, it will protect the young grass from being thrown out by alternate freezing and thawing in winter and spring; the leaves of the rye, also, keep off some of the cold wind from the tender blades of grass. If the rye is cut early, as it must be to make good hay, the season has not become as far advanced as to endanger the grass very much, on account of draughts. It is well to sow clover seed on the surface in the spring, either with harrowing or without, as the case seems to demand. Where the soil is loose and moist, harrowing will seldom become necessary. Clover will make a crop sooner than most grasses. Seeding with corn has been practiced by many farmers, and with excellent results. We saw many fields so seeded during our trip into Vermont, and much of it looked exceedingly well. Of course care must be taken to keep the surface smooth and level, and the corn must be cut close to the ground.—New England Farmer.

The Great Stoy Remedy.

A subscriber who has seen it tried asks us to publish the following receipt: In 1816, one Valentine Kettering, of Dauphin county, communicated to the Senate of Pennsylvania a sure remedy for the bite of any mad animal. He said that his ancestors had used it in Germany 250 years ago, and that he always found it to answer the purpose, during a residence of fifty years in the United States. He only published it from a motive of humanity. This remedy consists in the weed called chick-weed. It is a Summer plant, known to the German and Swiss by names of Gauchenell Rother Mayor, or Rother Huebnerdarm. In England it is called Red Pimpernel, and its botanical name is Angelica Phoenicea. It must be gathered in June, when in full bloom, dried in the shade, and then pulverized. The dose of this for a full grown person is a small teaspoonful, or in weight a drachm and a scruple at once, in beer or water. For children the dose is the same yet it must be administered at three different times. In applying, it must be used green, cut to pieces and mixed with bran or other feed. For hogs the pulverized weed is made into little balls by mixing it with flour and water. It can also be put on bread and butter, or in

honey, molasses, etc. The Rev. Muhlenberg said that in Germany, thirty grains of this powder are given four times a day, the first day, then once a day the whole week, while at the same time the wound is washed out with a decoction of the weed and the powder strewn in it. Kettering said that in all instances he administered but one dose, with the most happy results. This is said to be the same remedy through which the late Dr. Wm. Stoy effected so many cures.

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