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HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN,


## MILKing.

One would think that the subject of milking is sumletently understood at the tions with reference to it, but never wa there a greater mistake made. Hundreds of dairymen begin to complatn that their cowz are drying up early while they have good feed and plenty of
it. We were talking with one of the it. We were talking with one of the
leading dairymen with reference to the matter the other day, and his opinion coincided with ours in this respect, and he claimed that more cows were spoiled by belng improperly handied than by poor food. To get the greateat yield of
milk the cows should be milked regular$y$, quietly and thoroughly, yet quickly. Generally speaking, twice a day is often nough, but there are cases when it becomes neceasary to milk three times, ut these are comparatively rare. At six o'clock, morning and evening, is as
near the right time, all things considet ed, us any. Milking should be done quietly, without any seolding or kicking or otherwise hurting or exciting the animal, and she will then habitually come gladly for the operation, stand quietly and let down her full flow. It hould be done thoroughly, as nearly a possible always by the same person.
There is a great difference in milkers; ome will get the last drop, while others will leave the richest part in the udder. thas been proved to the satisfaction of all good dairymen that the strippings will yied from ten to twenty per cent. more
cream than the rest of the milk: important it is, then, that the cow should be milked elean. Besides, if she is not made to yield all that she has ailly, she will dry up sooner, and gradanlly fail in the quantity until it decreases perceptibly. Cows should never pasture as it agitates and from the milk, if before milking, and tends to make them wild after the milk has ceen drawn. We had an opportunity of seeing the results of a change in the management of cows on Pleasant View Farm a short time ago. The proprietor, dent, which confined him to the house for nearly a week, during which time trangers were employed to attend the ows, and, although they were treated Kindly, still it was different from their howed a much smaller the mild, pail cows themeelves became restless and refused to "give down" as formerly, although, as before stated, they were reated with the greatest kindness and milked by experienced hands. But again, the cows soon filled the the bails as Isual, and that, too with no change of
food.- Fleld and Farm.

## Corn-Fed Hens.

Corn-fed hens do not lay in winter round, because there to covers the orn which furnishes the material for the white and shell of the egg, but abun dant material for fat and rudimentary olks. As soon as spring comes, cornap so simply lee laying and continu upplement this food by are able to and other albuminous substances, and iso find material for egg shells in bits of lime, stone and the shells of a variety of decaying matter that we have no just onception of. On the other hand, when in it to supply all that is needed enough yolk, and gluten enough to make the white, and lime enough to furnish the hell, and it does not seem difficult now ounderstand why corn-fed bens should not lay as they do not, and why wheatdis Cond lay as they

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57. White mustard was largely sown a Frunce latt summer for fodder. it is so relisbed by milk cows that many peasants call it "the butter plant." It is own in August, on the stabbie, If the nometimes the soil ts harned over with o plough, flive pounds of sembl to the acre The plant ean be consumed green till the frost arrives.

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