The Bloomfield Cimes.

HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN.

Facts About Horses.

An "Equestrian Manager" in England gives the following interesting facts about horses :

It scarcely needs stating that a good memory is indiscensible in learning anything. And if a horse has to learn a trick or routine performance, he can only do so by remembering it from time to time of going through it. Both horses and dogs have wonderful memories; but I will narrate one or two instances relating to the horse.

I was once driving to Long Milford in Suffolk at a spot where there was a bridge leading over a river. As we approached the bridge, the horse pulled up, and would not move without whipping. For some time I was at loss to account for this freak; but it afterward occurred to me that the last time I had crossed the bridge and with the same horse, I had pulled up at that spot to speak to a man.

Unless there is a reason to the contrary, we always prefer occupying the same field each time we visit a town. Sometimes it happens that the stud groom, who is generally with the first wagon, forgets which field it is. But by giving the horse his head and leaving him to himself, he will pull up at the right gate. The groom never finds him to be wrong, and drives straight in.

When in Southampton some years since, I had to pass up High Street daily and had a different horse almost every day. Whichever horse I had he would slacken speed at the Star Hotel, and went to turn into the yard. Upon mentioning this to the groom, he explained that, five years previously, when the circus was in Southampton, the stud had been stabled at the Star, and the horse had not yet forgotten the place.

I have my oppinion, founded upon close and varied observation, that horses can and do convey to each other very exact intelligence by the sounds they produce, from the proud sonorous neighings for a full-spirited horse, down to the whinnyings and snortings and other little sounds with which all keepers of horses are familiar. Once, in a long stable containing twenty stalls in a row, a horse at one end was dying. Near the other end was a horse of timid disposition, which showed marked signs of dread and extreme nervousness, as though conscious of what was going on; trembling from head to foot, and streaming with perspiration. I feel convinced that intelligence of what was passing had reached this horse, and that being of a nervous temperament, the poor animal had been troubled to the painful extent we had witnessed.

Another example of a different kind. It often happened that I was away from the company for weeks and months at a stretch, and on some of these occasions I had returned along the same road by which the circus was crossing, thus meeting the vans, one after the other all down the line. When yet there was some distance between myself and the nearest van, my horse would scent or see the nearest van-horse, and salute him with a loud neigh. This would be at once answered by the van-horse, which seemed to pass the signal to the rear down the line, where it was taken up from horse to horse to the very end, perhaps three-quarters of a mile away. Then as I rapidly drove by and met the vans, each horse would turn toward mine as he passed, greeting him with a friendly and joyous neigh; apparently holding a short conversation in passing, as though welcoming each other after a separation. For it must be noted that it was only after long absence that such demonstrations took place.

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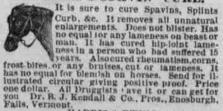
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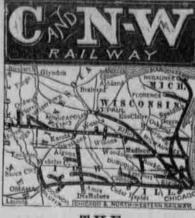
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