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Dry Earth as an Absorbent.

If one will observe when the cows choose to lie down in the yard or pasture it will be seen that they choose the bare ground, rather than the sod or bedding of straw. The same is true of sheep. We have taken this hint, and furnished the cow-stables with dry earth bedding. Leaves and straw are poor absorbents in comparison. In the pig pens dry earth has no equal. In very cold weather we add straw or leaves, but until the weather is very cold the animals will be more comfortable with a bed of soil, or of soil changed once a forinight or week. In the chicken house we have learned its real value as a deodorizer. Our roosts are over a sloping floor, on which we occasionally scatter dry earth. The droppings roll down into a pile of dry earth. This turned with a shovel each week or oftener, and we can say the chicken house is free from offensive odors, and bright combs and glossy feathers tell of the health of fowls. Dry earth is a good preventative, too, of vermin on cattle, pigs, and poultry. It must be procured at a dry time; and stored under sheds or in stables. It not only promotes neatness and health, but saves the very elements of the manure which make them most valuable and most of which would evaporate if not absorbed by the day earth. We do not like it as a bedding in the horse stables, but it should be found in every stable, to sprinkle the floors with as soon as the bedding is removed in the morning. When removed from the stables, styes and coops it should be kept under cover for spring use, or for drilling with the wheat in the fall.

#### How to Tell Good Butter.

The Illinois State Superintendent of inspectors of butter and cheese says; "When butter is properly churned, both as to time and temperature it becomes firm with very little working, and is tenacious; but its most desirale state is that of waxy, when it is easily moulded into any shape, and may be drawn out a considerable length without breaking. It is then styled gilt edged. It is only in this state that butter possesses that rich, nutty flavor and smell; and shows up a rich golden-yellow color, ; which imparts so high a degree of pleasure in eating it, and which increases its value manifold. It is not always necessary when it smells fresh and sweet to taste butter in judging it. The smooth, unctions feel in rubbing a little between the finger and the thumb expresses at once its rich quality, the nutty smell and rich aroma indicate a similar taste; and the rich golden glistening cream-colored surface shows its high state of cleanliness. It may be necessary at times to use the trier, or even use it until you become an expert in testing by taste, smell and rubbing.

Under no circumstances should matches be allowed to "lie around loose" on Mantleplece or shelf. What are known as parlor matches light readily, and are as much more dangerous than the common matches as they are more convenient. The general stock should be kept in a tin box, which is not to be opened or taken from except by the master as mistress of the house. For each room where matches are used there should be a metal match safe of some kind, and the matches are to be kept in that and nowhere else.

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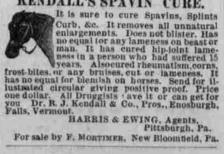
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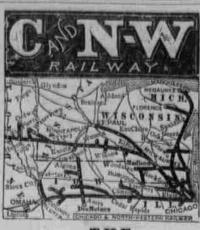


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