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The French government has adopted a method of treating macadamized roads with hot coal tar thinned with about 10 per cent of oil. The cost is said to work out at about eight-tenths of a cent a square yard.

Korea is probably more responsive to missionary effort than any oriental country. A Methodist missionary writes: "It is my honest conviction that had we the proper missionary force Korea would be a Christian nation in five or ten years."

What It Is For.

Wife—Must you go to the club to-night, dear?

Husband—It isn't absolutely necessary, but I need the rest.—Life.

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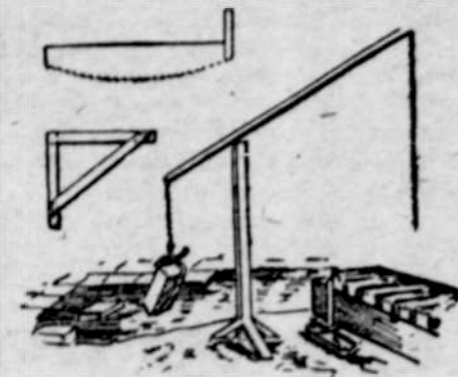


Ice Harvesting.

Every year the use of ice increases. It is not merely a luxury, but becomes a necessity as soon as its value is known by experience. Ice in the dairy is almost indispensable for holding milk and cream at a proper temperature.

Ice should be cut with a saw into blocks of regular size, so that they will pack solidly into the ice house without leaving spaces between them. A regular cross-cut saw with one handle removed will answer the purpose.

The ice derrick is convenient and safer to use for lifting the cakes from the water and hoisting into the wag-



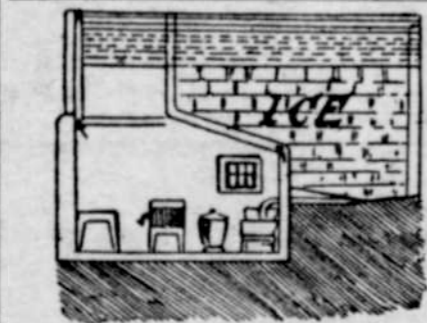
ICE DERRICK.

on or sleigh box. Use two strong white oak poles to make the derrick and sweep. The upright, B, may be cut from any strong piece of lumber, or made up by spiking together two pieces of 2x4 studding. It should be 12 to 15 feet long and well braced at the base, as shown in the sketch. The bottom should be smooth in order to slide freely over the ice.

The sweep, C, should be about 16 feet long, or over, with a rope attached to each end. The sweep is pivoted on top of the upright, B, from one-quarter to one-third projecting over, where the ice tongs are attached. The remaining portion, with the rope, D, attached gives plenty of leverage for lifting the heavy cakes.

After a "season" of cutting ice, the two men proceed to lift out and load up. One seizes the tongs and catches onto the floating cakes, while the other man presides at the rope, D. The sleigh should be in the handiest position to swing the sweep around and land the cake of ice into the box.

The combination style of ice-house represented in the illustration is not the best for all purposes, yet has some features to recommend it. The sides of the building are nine feet above the ground and the height of the dairy seven feet. The outside walls of the ice-house are made of two-inch planks, ten inches wide, set upright, with inch and a half planks nailed on the out-



COMBINED DAIRY AND ICE HOUSE.

side and filled with spent tan bark or other dry non-conducting material. The partition wall between the dairy and the ice-house and between the cool room and the ice-house is half the thickness, and not filled, thus forming closed air spaces between the studs.—Montreal Star.

How to Dress and Ship Poultry.
Birds that are to be marketed should be penned ten days before killing and well fed. Withhold all food for twenty-four hours previous to killing, but give plenty of clean water. Full crops injure the appearance and are liable to sour, and when this does occur correspondingly lower prices must be accepted than obtainable for choice stock.

Kill by bleeding in the mouth, hang the bird by the feet until properly bled. Leave head and feet on and do not remove intestines or crop. For scalding fowls, the water should be as near the boiling point as possible without boiling—160 to 175 degrees Fahrenheit; pick the legs dry before scalding; hold by the head and legs and immerse and lift up and down five or six times; if the head is immersed it turns the color of the comb and gives the eyes a shrunken appearance, which causes dealers to look on them with suspicion; the feathers and pin feathers should then be removed immediately, while the body is warm, very cleanly and without breaking the skin; then "plump" by dipping ten seconds in water, nearly or quite boiling, and then immediately into ice-cold water. The shaping of poultry is a very important point and well worth the extra trou-

ble. The bird should be laid on its back on a table; the legs are drawn up against the sides of the breast, as though the bird were roosting; the wings are also folded against the body. Then, while in this position, a damp cloth is wrapped tightly about the carcass and fastened. Leave on a board to drain until the animal heat is all out of the body. Pack in boxes holding about 100 pounds and lined with manila or straw paper. Be sure to pack snugly, so as to prevent moving about in any way.

Turkeys should be handled in the same way, except that they should always be dry-picked.—E. K. P., in Country Gentleman.

Berry Culture.

An authority says that on an acre of rich, cultivated land \$500 worth of berries may be grown, and that an acre should produce at the rate of 200 bushels.

Causes for a short crop may be laid at the door of land deficient in fertility or plant food. Such land should have composted manure applied and turned under and top dress. Ashes should also be broadcasted. Another reason is improper preparation of the soil. Plow deeply and harrow until fine, light and mellow. Again, there is a poor crop when varieties are planted that are not adapted to that particular kind of soil and climate. This can be determined either by the success of neighboring farmers of that locality, or by testing a limited number of plants. Failure often comes from setting poor plants; only hardy, vigorous plants should be purchased. Carelessly setting out plants will also cause a shortage. They should not be exposed to the sun or wind before setting. When put out the roots should be well spread and fine dirt firmed around them.

Using imperfect fertilizers is another cause. There is a sex in plants. Pistillates (female) must have stimulants (male) set with them to insure good crops. Cultivation must not be neglected. The ground at all times must be fine, mellow and free from weeds.

Both frost and drought are enemies of a good crop, and the most difficult to overcome. Berry fields well cultivated are several degrees warmer than uncultivated fields, therefore less liable to damage by frost. Retain mulching as late as possible on strawberries in spring.

Selecting Dairy Cows.

While there may be no infallible rule by which a man can be governed in selecting a high-class dairy cow, there are many points that will assist and if carefully considered will prevent disappointment as a rule. Remember that a cow is a machine and is intended to change the different products on which she is fed into something of more value. There are two distinct types of these machines. One manufactures or converts feed into beef; the other into milk. There is a very decided and pronounced difference in the type of the animal that makes beef and the one which manufactures milk. In the dairy type we have an animal that is angular, thin, somewhat loose-jointed and with prominent bones. She is wedge-shaped from the front, with a lean head, moderately long face slightly dished and a general contented expression of the features. The muzzle is large, mouth large, nostrils wide and open, a clear, full bright eye, a broad, full and high forehead, ears medium size, fine texture, covered with fine hair and orange yellow inside. The neck is thin, moderately long, with little or no dewlap, and the throat is clean. Wide space between the jaws, the withers lean and sharp, the shoulders lean and oblique and the chest deep and wide, which indicates vigor and constitution.—Field and Farm.

Sugar and Rice.

In 1906 the farmers grew sugar beets enough to make 483,000 tons of beet sugar, which, with the 272,000 tons of cane sugar made in Louisiana and Texas, is enough to supply the entire population west of the Mississippi River and something over. In 1906 we grew 800,000,000 pounds of rice, substantially enough to supply home demand. It is the farmer's privilege to grow everything the people need that our soils will produce.—Secretary Wilson.

The Sire Half the Herd.

If breeders and dairymen would only realize that "the bull is half the herd," and how thoroughly in the course of years, for good or ill, the blood and characteristics of the bull impregnate and dominate any herd where he is used, there would be more care used in the selection of the breeding bull. If he prove to be a good sire, his influence for good will be felt for years; if a poor one, it will take years to eliminate from the herd the bad features he has left behind.

Crop Rotation.

There are some crops that will not follow each other, nor will they follow certain other crops, while, on the other hand, there are some that will grow year after year on the same land and also follow any other crop.

SKIN DISEASES

HUMORS IN THE BLOOD

When the blood is pure, fresh and healthy, the skin will be soft, smooth and free from blemishes, but when some acid humor takes root in the circulation its presence is manifested by a skin eruption or disease. These humors get into the blood, generally because of an inactive or sluggish condition of the members of the body whose duty it is to collect and carry off the waste and refuse matter of the system. This unhealthy matter is left to sour and ferment and soon the circulation becomes charged with the acid poison. The blood begins to throw off the humors and acids through the pores and glands of the skin, producing Eczema, Acne, Tetter, Psoriasis, Salt Rheum and skin eruptions of various kinds. Eczema appears, usually with a slight redness of the skin followed by pustules from which there flows a sticky fluid that dries and forms a crust, and the itching is intense. It is generally on the back, breast, face, arms and legs, though other parts of the body may be affected. In Tetter the skin dries, cracks and bleeds; the acid in the blood dries up the natural oils of the skin, which are intended to keep it soft and pliant, causing a dry, feverish condition and giving it a hard, leathery appearance. Acne makes its appearance on the face in the form of pimples and black heads, while Psoriasis comes in scaly patches on different parts of the body. One of the worst forms of skin trouble is Salt Rheum; its favorite point of attack is the scalp, sometimes causing baldness. Poison Oak and Ivy are also disagreeable types of skin disease. The humor producing the trouble lies dormant in the blood through the winter to break out and torment the sufferer with the return of Spring. The best treatment for all skin diseases is S. S. S. It neutralizes the acids and removes the humors so that the skin instead of being irritated and diseased, is nourished by a supply of fresh, healthy blood. External applications of salves, washes, lotions, etc., while they soothe the itching caused by skin affections, can never cure the trouble because they do not reach the blood. S. S. S. goes down into the circulation and forces out every particle of foreign matter and restores the blood to its normal, pure condition, thereby permanently curing every form of skin affection. Book on Skin Diseases and any medical advice desired sent free to all who write. S. S. S. is for sale at all first class drug stores.

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Solitude.

"Cyrus," hastily exclaimed Mrs. Jymes, "you ought to be careful how you let Fido eat out of your hand!" "Why, there isn't a bit of danger," said Mr. Jymes. "He wouldn't harm a fly." "O, I know there's no danger to you," impatiently rejoined his wife. "I was thinking of Fido."

Wayside Commenting.

Wareham Long—Wot started the hard times, anyway?

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