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**HOG KILLING ON THE FARM.**

In order to do neat and rapid work at hog-killing time it is necessary to have a good scraper, sticking knife, a hog hook and a place that is convenient for working.

For scalding a barrel is commonly used, and it is all that is needed unless the hogs are very large. If very large hogs are killed, a scalding tub will answer the purpose for scalding much better than a barrel. I have one which is made of two-inch planks for the sides and ends and sheet iron for the bottom. It is six feet long and three and one-half feet wide, with a depth of two and one-half feet. Two hooks are fastened near the top on one side, with a pair of trace chains to run under the hog to facilitate the turning and withdrawing from the tub. It is placed over a furnace, which is made by digging a trench in the ground, and when in use I place pieces of wood across the bottom, in order to keep the hog from coming in contact with the iron bottom and getting too hot.

I find that the proper temperature for good scalding is from 180 to 190 degrees, and if a barrel is to be used the water should be boiling when dipped out of the kettle, as the barrel will cool it some. If a scalding tub is used the water should be cooled by adding a bucket of cold water before

The diagram shows a rectangular scalding tub with a platform at the bottom for scraping the hog off. It is supported by a furnace. A plug is shown at the top. The tub is labeled with '3-PLUG', 'PLATFORM TO SCRAPE HOG OFF', and 'FURNACE'.

the hog is put in. To insure a correct heat of the water use a thermometer. Small quantities of lye, ashes or lime will have no effect in removing the hair, but will cause the scurf to come loose more readily. Keep the hog in constant motion while being scalded, and draw it out to air occasionally. When the hair and scurf slip easily from the body the scalding is completed. In scraping and cleaning the hog, I clean the feet and head first, then the legs, and last, but not least, the body.

I hang the hog with a rope and pulley, as it is more easily hung in this way than any other. But it may be hung with the ordinary gambrel, a stick which is sharpened at each end and inserted under the tendon strings of the hind legs. A short singletree will be found to answer for a gambrel stick. If there is sufficient help at hand the hog may be hung on a pole put up for the purpose. After the hog is hung up, rinse it down with scalding water, remove the entrails by running a sharp knife lightly down, marking the belly straight, cutting to the bone between the thighs and in front of the ribs, which bones I split with an ax, being careful not to cut beyond them.

I usually salt down on a bench or in a box as soon as it has cooled enough to trim. The amount of salt I use is ten pounds to every 100 pounds of meat. In addition to the salt I also use two pounds of granulated sugar and two ounces of saltpeter mixed. Rub the meat once every three days with one-third of the mixture. While it is curing pack it in a box in a cool room, where it will neither become warm nor freeze.

Two barrels may be used, changing the meat from one to the other each time it is rubbed. After the last rubbing let the meat lie in a box for a week or ten days, then take it out to smoke. When taken out of the box dip each piece in a kettle of boiling water and let it remain half a minute, after which sprinkle with a little powdered borax on the meat side and hang. Smoke it four or five days with hickory chips of corn cobs, then dip and sprinkle it with borax again and put it down in clean hay. Meat treated in this manner may be left hanging all summer and will remain in the best condition.—W. Hanson.

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**Care in Feeding Working Horses**

Horse feeding is not given the attention it should be by some farmers. That of the cow and sheep is carefully examined and discussed, but oftentimes the horse's feed is just all the hay he can eat and various quantities of corn and oats, according to the work being done. Although oats and hay are ideal food, they should not be fed exclusively. Horses like a variety as well as does any other animal. Good timothy, early cut and well cured, is the best hay for horses, but many farmers feed too much hay. If the horse is expected to do extra hard work he should be liberally and frequently fed. It is best to water horses as they come in from work or before feeding. If watered soon after feeding, the stomach, being small, is liable to be partially emptied by the water of the undigested food, which causes bowel trouble or loss of food.

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