

THE POET AND THE BABY.

How's a man to write a sonnet, can you tell... How's he going to weave the dim poetic spell...

A MOUNTAIN GIRL.

It is morning. The rising sun just tips the crest of that portion of the Appalachian chain...

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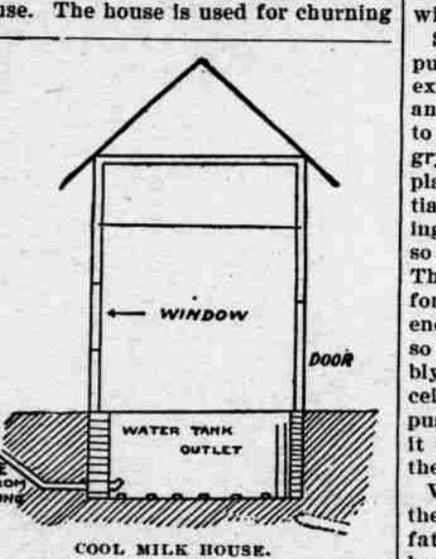
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COOL MILK HOUSE.

In, and this work is done early in the morning when the air is cool—just about daybreak is a good time—the milk having been ripened by a starter the evening before.

CORN AND COB MEAL.

Evidence accumulates in regard to the value of grinding the corn and cob together for feeding to stock, as was the custom of our fathers. It is claimed that the pure meal packs so much on the digestive organs as not to be as thoroughly acted upon by them as the lighter meal when the cob is ground.

STACKING THE STRAW.

In some ways the wheat and oat straw should all be utilized. If it cannot all be fed to the stock to advantage it can at least be used for bedding and in this way be converted into manure.

NEW EARLY POTATO.

Despite the fact that some growers do not favor the early Ohio potato, the variety is regarded by many as the best of the early varieties, which adds that a white form of the variety is being introduced. It originated with a Western grower, who, having used Northern seed, found three years ago a plant producing pure white potatoes, identical in every way with the best of the old Ohio except in color, which is a fine white.

THE MOWING MACHINE.

We remember when the first mowing machines began to be used there were many farmers who expressed an opinion that they cut so close to the ground that the grass roots would be burned out by the heat of the sun if there was not rain soon. Probably this

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where the roots did not penetrate deeply, and where the stand of grass was so thin that the stubble did not shade the soil at all to prevent the evaporation from it.

PUSH THE CHICKS.

Growing chicks cannot be persuaded to eat too much. Push them along so that they will attain full growth before cold weather sets in.

TO JUDGE HORSE CHARACTER.

Horse phenology is the latest discovery of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons of England. According to Harold Leeney, a member of the college, it is easy to tell horse's character by the shape of his nose.

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are pointed and sensitive it is safe to bank on the animal as gentle and at the same time high-spirited. If, on the other hand, the horse has a dent in the middle of the nose it is equally safe to set him down as treacherous and vicious.

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slight convexity in the profile will be scary and needing coaxing. A horse that droops his ears is apt to be lazy as well as vicious, but hard work will sometimes make a horse which started out properly let his ears droop.

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Straw alone is not a complete food. Animals must consume too large a bulk of it, more than can be properly digested. If even a fairly thrifty condition is maintained. But if combined with other materials it can be used to a good advantage. If mixed with clover hay and a small proportion of wheat bran is added, a very good ration is provided and one that is at the same time economical.

TRANSPLANTING TREES.

For each tree dig a big hole. Into the hole put all the scraps of old iron, tin cans, old bones and all the rubbish on hand. Get a bushel or more of the best soil you can find, leaf mold if possible, and make a soft bed, in which to set your tree, with its roots comfortably spread out. Scatter a little more good soil on top of the roots. Now pour at least one-half peck of small potatoes on top of all. Water well with warm water, and fill up the hole with good soil, which must be well firmed, but not packed.

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gives the tree a start that will carry it well through the first summer. The potato tops serve both as a mulch and shade.—Mrs. A. M. Kelly.



Boy from far-away China.



A Little Celestial maiden.

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