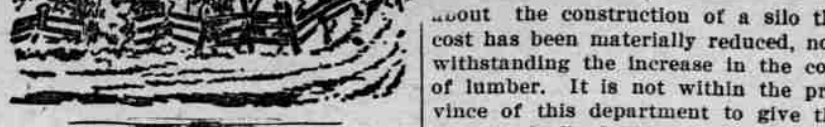


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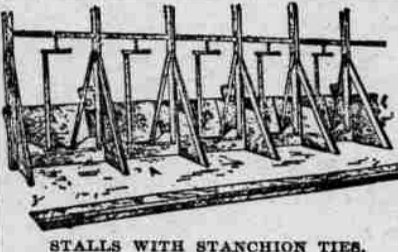
CHAPTER XXIII. And so it was Ki-Tsang who had just attacked the Grand Transasitic on the plains of Gobi...

forty kilometers an hour, an average that would have been raised to eighty had they listened to Baron Weisschnitz...

FARMS AND FARMERS



about the construction of a silo the cost has been materially reduced, notwithstanding the increase in the cost of lumber...

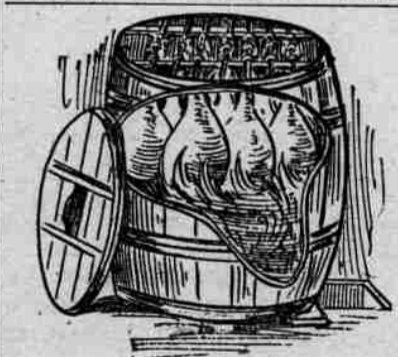


STALLS WITH STANCHION TIES.

so arranged as to be flushed with water to clean it thoroughly. For ordinary dairy cattle no fastening is so economical of room and feed...

Having examined the multitude of patent stalls and devices for cows, and having tried several of them, I know of none better—even if the owner be a millionaire.

A Home-Made Smoke House. A large cask or barrel may be used for smoking a small quantity of meat. To make this effective, a small pit should be dug...



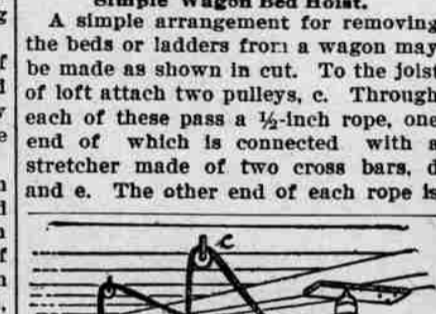
A BARREL SMOKE-HOUSE.

corn cobs, hardwood chips, or fine brush. The pit is covered with a flat stone by which the fire may be regulated, and it is removed when necessary to add more fuel.

Throughout the western half of the United States alfalfa hay is commonly stored in stacks in the field. Alfalfa stacks will not shed water as readily as stacks of grass hay.

Sowed Corn for Forage. While the pasture may be all that is desired throughout the summer, there is always danger of drought of considerable severity...

Simple Wagon Bed Hoist. A simple arrangement for removing the beds or ladders from a wagon may be made as shown in cut. To the joist of loft attach two pulleys, c...



WAGON BED HOIST.

When alfalfa cannot be had, give the chicks a chance at red clover. Give the hens and young chicks a chance for an occasional dust bath, which will drive away lice.

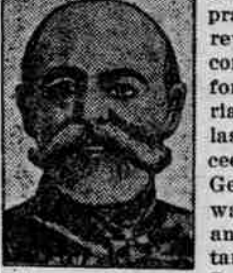
When killing fowls, let the blood drip into a pail of bran, as the mixture makes a splendid food. Grit, oyster shells or a baked mixture of salt and charcoal should always be available for the hens.

A poultry raiser gives the following combination for morning feed for laying hens: Mash of bran and dry cut alfalfa, equal parts, 5 per cent meat and blood meal...

Gathered in the Garden. Keep the soil well stirred. Keep the weeds out of the strawberry patch. Hoe the lima beans and train them on the poles if necessary.



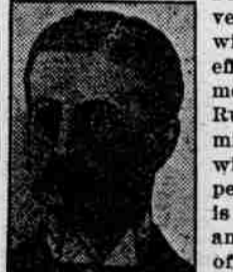
General Linevitch, who is said to have reported to St. Petersburg that owing to the destruction of the Russian fleet his troops practically are in revolt...



Henry Clay Frick, chairman of the committee that made the report scoring the lax business methods of officers of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, is well known as a manufacturer and capitalist.



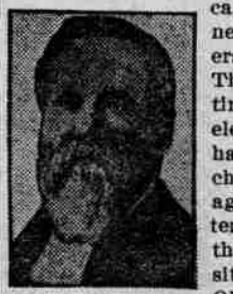
George Von Lengerke Meyer, United States Ambassador to Russia, who conducted the correspondence between President Roosevelt and the Czar, with the object of effecting arrangements by which Russia and Japan might be brought within reach of peace negotiations...



John F. Stevens, chosen to be railway expert of the Philippine Commission, has attained an enviable reputation as a civil engineer and in railway operation.



Rev. Dr. Eric Norellus, who has been re-elected President of the Swedish Lutheran Augustana Synod of America, is one of the pioneer church workers in the West.



Maurice Maeterlinck, after witnessing a performance of "King Lear" recently, said: "It is safe to declare, after surveying the literature of every period and of every country, that the tragedy of the old king constitutes the finest, the vastest, the most striking, the most intense dramatic poem that has ever been written."

John Kendrick Bangs, recently editor of Puck, is preparing an adaptation of "The Taming of the Shrew" for comic opera purposes.