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NEWS OF INTEREST TO THE FARMER

DAIRYING SUGGESTIONS

By Dr. David Roberts
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The paying production of milk is what determines the value of the dairy cow and in order to obtain the good paying results, proper care and attention must be given the cow which supplies the milk. Cleanliness is perhaps the first important factor to be considered from all standpoints. The stables wherein the animals are housed should be well taken care of; in fact, so well taken care of that the attendant who enters at the time of milking shall find no disagreeable odor, no damp floors, no dusty feed, as all feed having a tendency to give rise to dust should be carefully sprinkled before feeding the animal; allowing the animal plenty of fresh air and sunlight.

The cleanliness should not be limited to any one source, but should be an important factor from all standpoints. The milker should use utmost care, seeing that the garments as well as the hands are in a nice clean condition and exercising judgment in the care of the animal to be milked, seeing that all milking utensils are well taken care of and placed where it will have access to proper cooling conditions and in this way add to the profit of the product.

THE RAISING OF HORSES

Horses are increasing in value. The automobile has not put the horse out of business. On the contrary, horses bring higher prices than ever before. The Live Stock Journal states that the horses in the United States have increased 6,000,000 in number in the last ten years. There are now in the country 31,000,000 farm and city horses, with a valuation of \$3,500,000,000, and prices are better than ever before—\$250 to \$500 for good draft horses.

How is this accounted for? The answer is: The railroads and various forms of machinery have called for more horses to do the increasing work. All the automobiles manufactured in the world will number in 1910, it is estimated, 235,000, and their value will be about \$235,000,000. The two million horses in Illinois alone are valued at \$250,000,000. Horse breeding is the most important industry in the country as well as the most profitable, it is claimed, and we are told that farmers cannot supply the increasing demand from American and European markets for more and better animals.

Now all this must convey a sense of deep satisfaction to the mind of every right-hearted man. All those who favor progress will hope for a tremendous expansion of the automobile industry in years to come. Every observant and well-poised person must see that the automobile has arrived to stay, and its use will constantly increase. But we all want the horse to continue to hold a place in the world's activities, and it is pleasing to know that so far steam, gasoline and electricity, instead of wresting occupation from him, have increased his opportunities, and, on the whole, bettered his condition.—E. T.

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ECONOMIES OF POULTRY YARD

"How can you let all this manure go to waste?" asked an enthusiastic gardener of a farmer's wife whose poultry house was full of several years' accumulation of droppings. "Think of the beautiful roses, peonies, gladioli and other perennials which are starving for what is going to waste here."

It is a fact that we don't value hen manure on the farm as we should. Poultry manure is specially valuable for the garden, and even a delicate woman can so care for it as to give the best results as a fertilizer to the benefit of the fowls and the flowers as well. She need not exclaim, as did one well-to-do lady gardener, "All I want for a birthday present is a load of well-rotted manure," but may have a compost heap with feed for flowers and plants in abundance.

To start the heap, make a bed of loam on a well-drained lot, and throw in this the droppings from the poultry yard, carcasses of dead chickens, any refuse animal or vegetable matter, covering such additions with loam. Wash day suds should be thrown over the mass each week. Two heaps should be in a secluded place on every farm. It takes about a year for a compost heap to be well ripened, and no new substance should be thrown on a ripened heap. Before using, shovel the mass thoroughly should always be thrown over the droppings to absorb the odors and retain the fertilizing elements. Fresh droppings should never be used about plants or flowers.

PER CENT OF GRADE

A one per cent grade on a road means a rise of one foot for each hundred feet of distance traveled up the hill. A ten per cent grade means ten feet rise in each hundred feet traveled. A one per cent grade then means an ascent is made of 52.8 feet while a ten per cent grade means a rise in altitude of 528 feet in a mile. Accurate tests have shown the Minnesota Experiment station that a horse which can pull 1,000 pounds on a level road can pull only 810 pounds on a rise of one foot in fifty, and on a rise of one foot in ten he can pull only 250 pounds. These facts show that the greatest load which can be hauled over a road is the load that can be taken up the steepest hill on that road or through the deepest mud hole. It is therefore advised that all highways traveled by heavily loaded

vehicles should be kept within a three or four per cent grade if practicable. To do this may require a change of location to get around hills, always keeping in mind that the lower the grade the larger the load that may be hauled and the cost of haulage kept at the lowest point.

NOTES OF INTEREST

Bartlett pears of the 1910 pack from the Rogue River valley, Oregon, have sold in Chicago for \$2.55 a box, the first car load of them being sent from Grants Pass on the 30th ult. The daily pear shipment from that section is three carloads, and the growers seem to be highly satisfied at the price received.

Fred N. Hunt, superintendent of the poultry department of the Interstate Fair and Exposition to be held in Denver September 3 to 17, has announced a novel contest during five days of the show. Premiums are being offered for the coop of hens laying the most eggs in a given time. It is proposed to put 2,000 hens in the chicken "garage," separating into groups of ten to each coop and let them lay eggs and cackle as much as they please until the contest is over. It has been announced that no roosters will be admitted. The poultry men in every part of the United States are interested in this exhibition. This is not only one of the many features of the exhibition which is attracting the sheep and stock raisers from every quarter.

Another trotting record was broken last week when The Harvester won two heats of a 2:06 trot in 2:04 1/4 and 2:03 1/4 at Cleveland, Ohio, making the two fastest heats ever trotted by a stallion. Incidentally, The Harvester clipped one second off his own record, equalled the stallion trotting record made by Chesceus at the Brighton Beach track in 1902, and set a new mark for five-year-old trotting stallions in a race in the second heat. The stallion had such a big lead over Sonoma Girl, Wilkes Heart and Oro that his driver did not extend him in the stretch. Had he done so, The Harvester would have eclipsed Chesceus' record of 2:02 3/4 made against time at Columbus in 1902, which still stands as the stallion trotting record.

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