

### THE SWINEHERD.

Never kill a pig for market or home consumption until it is ripe for it.

The cause of unthrifty pigs can often be traced to a filthy swill barrel.

Prepare to keep the young pigs growing from the hour they enter the world.

Hogs are among the most cleanly animals if they are given a fair chance.

A lot of hogs in a hog lot will grow with clover will convey a lot of money to their owner's pocket.

Be sure that the hog herd, large or small, has an abundance of fresh, clean water to drink all the time.

The hog that is fed on one thing all the time makes slow growth and little pork.

### CONCRETE COOLING VAT.

Homemade Iceless Refrigerator For Country Use.

Many country homes which cannot have ice must depend on other means for keeping milk, butter and farm products cool, says the American Cultivator. Nothing is better and cleaner than a concrete vat sunk in the ground.

In the milk house and fed by a spring or with water from the well on its way to the stock watering tanks. The size of the vat is dependent on the needs. For a farm with a small dairy sufficient space is to be had in a tank four feet two inches by seven feet two inches in the clear, by twenty-three inches deep and with five inch walls and bottom. This vat will hold eight regulation shipping cans spaced six inches apart.

In a corner of the milk house dig the pit for the vat five feet wide, eight feet long and twenty-two inches deep. If the water is to be fed and removed by iron pipes, these should be laid at once with the concrete, provided with screw or sleeve couplings five inches above the earth bottom of the pit.

Build a box form without top or bottom four feet two inches wide by seven feet two inches long, outside measurements, and twenty-three inches deep. Mix the concrete mushy wet of one bag of portland cement, two cubic feet of sand and four cubic feet of screened gravel or crushed rock, or one part cement to four parts pit gravel. Place a cork in the ends of the pipes and lay the five inch bottom with a strip of woven wire fencing in the concrete within two inches of the top. Quickly finish the bottom smooth with

### A CAMPAIGN OF ODDITIES.

When the Log Cabin and Hard Cider Enthusiasts Rejoiced.

Political enthusiasm has taken many forms during the lifetime of this nation. The Harrison-Van Buren presidential campaign of 1840 was in some respects the most remarkable the country has ever seen. "From May till November," says one historian, "it seemed as if all abeddoled citizens simply went about in processions to attend mass meetings."

The great oddity of the campaign was the log cabin, the coon and the cider barrel. The log cabin idea originated with an opposition paper which had said slightly that "William Henry Harrison better go back to Indiana and stay there in his log cabin drinking hard cider."

The taunt was taken up by Harrison's followers. Log cabins sprang up all over the Union. In every town there was a house warming, and the log cabin was thrown open to the public and general rejoicing. On the roof was a live raccoon, and a barrel of cider stood before the door, where any one who desired might drink all he pleased.

It was a campaign of oddities. Some of the symbols have never been surpassed for genuine absurdity.—Magazine of American History.

### SIMPLICITY IN THE HOME.

There is Such a Condition as Having Too Many Furnishings.

Many nervous, irritable, dissatisfied, unhappy women would become calm and contented if they would store, give or throw away half of their belongings. Some have abandoned elegant residences and taken their families into hotels or boarding houses who could have continued to keep up their homes if, instead of giving up their homes themselves, they had done away with the superfluous furnishings.

Some one, from the mistress herself, must clean and care for every article of furnishing, no matter how humble its use or how ornamental its function, and this round of duties proves many times to be a grievous burden on delicate shoulders.

There is such a thing possible as having too many articles and tools to work with, so that taking out, replacing and keeping them clean and in order adds to the daily labor. Too much furniture in a room, so that walking through it seems a perilous attempt to steer a course without disaster, too many garments to wear, for time is consumed in caring for them, and even in choosing what to put on.—Suburban Life Magazine.

### A Widow's Curious Cap.

A very curious cap forms the "widow's weeds" of the Australian aborigine. In one part of the great island continent. Near the northern bend of the Murray river it is the custom for widows to attend upon the tombs of their departed lords. Then, after shaving their heads they cover them with pipe clay kneaded into a paste. The head is first covered with a net to prevent the clay from sticking too tightly to the skin, a misfortune which is partly averted by the amount of grease with which every Australian native is anointed.

A layer of this clay several inches in thickness is plastered over the head and when dry forms a sort of skullcap exactly fitting the head on which it was molded. As it weighs several pounds, the widow's cap cannot be comfortable.

### Weather Vanes.

The best weather vanes are made with the greatest nicety and precision, so that they balance perfectly and turn with the least possible wind. The vane is, of course, longer on one side of the socket than on the other or it would not turn with the wind, but its weight is the same on both sides. If it is a narrow vane, for instance, the weight of the solid head is easily made equal to that of the longer, projecting but thinner feather end, and a vane, whatever they may be, are balanced as to weight and so adjusted that they turn easily and with the least possible friction.

### Why He Laughed.

"Son—Well, I've married her, dad, and that's all there is to it! Father—You mean that is the beginning of all there is to it.—Boston Globe.

### Hog For the Dairyman.

One of the best breeds of hogs for the dairyman to raise is the Hampshire. He is a good hog anywhere you put him; but, as he was originally bred as a bacon hog, he seems to like plenty of milk in his diet and is mighty willing and able to pay for it. Any good hog is a good hog for a dairy farmer to keep, and the color of his hair doesn't matter. So select the breed you like best and stay with it, and it will stay with you.

### Understanding.

A well known artist tells of an amusing colloquy in an art gallery where two young women were viewing a copy of Millet's "Gleaners."

"One of the young women was carried away by her enthusiasm. "How beautiful! How wonderful! What art!" she exclaimed. "Above all, how natural!"

Then, after a pause, she said, "But what are those people doing?"

"Drawing nearer to read the title," was enlightened. "Oh, now," she added, "I see! Gleaning millet! How wonderful! How beautiful!"—Exchange.

### A Substitute.

Mrs. Crabshaw—When the woman next door returned after being away a week her husband was just contemptible enough to say that he hadn't missed her. Crabshaw—I don't suppose he did. He had the talking machine going all the time.—Judge.

### Musical Note.

Tardy Arrival (at the concert)—Have I missed much? What are they playing now? One of the Elect—The "Ninth Symphony." Tardy Arrival—Goodness! Am I as late as that?—Harper's Bazar.

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