

DAIRY WISDOM.

The cow should be given a fair trial with the right kind of feed in the right quantity, and she should be tried out with the tester and the scales before she is classed as unprofitable.

The cow that is always hungry, or, to put it more plainly, the cow that always has a good appetite, is the one that will yield the best profit.

There may be occasional bad luck in the dairy business, but it almost invariably follows bad management.

A good dairy cow should have all the feed she will eat and digest and keep in good health.

An exposed or an abused cow will give less milk and that milk of a poorer quality than one well cared for.

With good cows, good food, good stables, all profits can be wiped out by an ignorant or cruel stableman.

The demands of a cow are imperative. The dairyman who consults his own convenience and disregards the comfort of his dairy herd suffers loss.

AILMENTS OF PIGS.

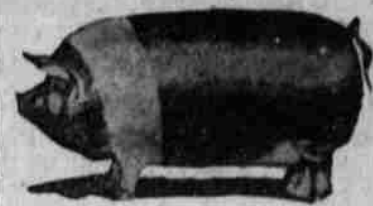
Treatment of Common Diseases That Afflict Young Porks.

The prime essentials to good results with pigs are sunshine, exercise and feed. Says Professor L. A. Weaver of the Missouri experiment station. One of the things often giving trouble is scours in the young pigs. Scours are usually caused by one of four things—either by changing the feed of the sow, overfeeding, dirty pens and troughs or exposure of either sow or pigs to cold rain or to cold weather in such a way that they become chilled.

The thing to watch especially is the feed. Changing from sweet to sour milk often causes the trouble, as will also the feeding of too much protein

when the animal is not used to it. If the sow is fed too much her milk flow is so stimulated that very young pigs will get more than they can utilize, thus causing them to scour. Pigs should always be in dry, clean quarters and be fed in clean troughs. They should not be allowed to run out in cold rain or allowed to become chilled in any way. Sows running through filth and then being suckled by pigs will often throw pigs off.

There are a good many remedies for this trouble. The first thing to do is to cut down on the sow's feed and clean up her quarters if they need it. A tablespoonful of sulphur in the sow's



Hampshire hogs are very prolific, and the pigs grow up extremely even. The mothers are gentle and easily handled, losing few young. They are great rustlers, and their meat is not surpassed by that of any breed. While they are of the bacon type, they grow very large and will fatten out at any age. They put on flesh where the valuable pork is to be found—not much belly and scrapple, but plenty of ham and loin. Their distinguishing mark is a belt of white about the body, although they are sometimes bred all black.

feed for two days is recommended. If sow is given a good physic, such as epsom salts, good results will follow. Scalded milk is also a good remedy. Each pig may be given a good physic, such as a teaspoonful of castor oil or epsom salts. Charcoal is good. There is also a contagious form of scours called white scours. The cure is to clean and disinfect the pens and give physic.

Thumps often occur in young pigs and is the result of lack of sunshine and exercise along with high feeding.

The remedy is, of course, to cut down the sow's feed and force the pigs to take exercise out in the sunshine. Thumps also may occur in large pigs after they are weaned, but when old pigs have it it is usually caused by some affection of the lungs.

Piles may be caused by feeding too laxative or too constipating diet. Eating soft coal, ashes, etc., may cause them. Cleanse well with hot water and soap. Using a wash made by dissolving one part powdered alum in twenty parts of water or by oiling with ointment made up of l-cythol one part, vaseline ten parts, is soothing. In bad cases it may be necessary to take a stick across the anus in order to keep parts in place.

Freshening Cows.

It is not best to feed too heavily with grain just previous to cows coming in, but it is still good policy to feed some. Bran may be fed safely at any time. A little oilmeal and cornmeal, too, in limited measure may be fed, and after calving they ought not to get on to full grain ration under a fortnight because of the danger of udder troubles.

Thumps in Pigs.

As an additional precaution against thumps avoid feeding much corn to sows and young pigs. Prefer mixed laxative rations, and if the drinking water is soft from lack of lime add lime water to the slop at the rate of one ounce to the quart. Roots and alfalfa hay also are admirable feeds for brood and nursing sows.



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For the old roost at home.
They hike from the roadside,
They run from the hill,
They come from the barnyard,
When whippoorwill's trill.
You don't have to call them
Nor give them a boost,
For chickens, you know,
Always come home to roost.

And this, too, is true
Of a cutting word said,
Of lies that are told
About living or dead.
They may result soon
Or in years to come,
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A MONOLITHIC INCUBATOR HOUSE.

The old fad of running incubators in the cellar amid the aroma of cabbages, turnips and taters and risking a fire is not so popular as it once was. There are few poultrymen who raise a considerable number of fowls who do not have a special incubator house. This is generally of iron, tile blocks or concrete. Concrete is most popular. It is presentable, indestructible, it is easily made and in the long run is most economical.

Mixing concrete was once a secret, but there are now many expert workers everywhere, and a building can be



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MONOLITHIC INCUBATOR HOUSE.

erected at reasonable price. We here describe a monolithic concrete house, so called because it is all in one piece. The foundation and walls are eight inches thick and three feet deep, and the forms for the walls are made of two inch plank. The mixture is composed of one part cement, two of sharp sand and three of clean gravel, and the finishing coat is equal parts cement and sand. The form for the roof is made of 2 by 4's close together and is propped up on the inside, the concrete being carried out over the walls to complete the roof, and when the roof is dry the forms and props are removed. The floor is of same mixture and is four inches thick, the rough coat being three inches and the finish one inch. Before erecting a monolithic concrete house it is wise to study the location well, as it is of a permanent nature and can only be removed in fragments.

DON'TS.

Don't expect business to boom by absent treatment. You can't run a poultry plant by wireless nor make profit galore while you loaf at the store.

Don't prophesy your neighbor's failure when he goes into turkeys because you fell down. A little light on your methods may show him how not to do it.

Don't think it's waste of time to prepare and arrange market products in the most presentable style. People buy such things to eat, and they want them neat and sweet.

Don't keep eggs where flies turkey trot. "Swat the fly!" is the national cry.

Don't keep a menagerie. Some fel-

lows must dabble in every breed that comes along. Result, a little of everything and not much of anything.

Don't get stuck on an extreme open front unless you see some other fellow succeed with it in zero weather. It may work in California, but not with Single Comb Leghorns in Pennsylvania.

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