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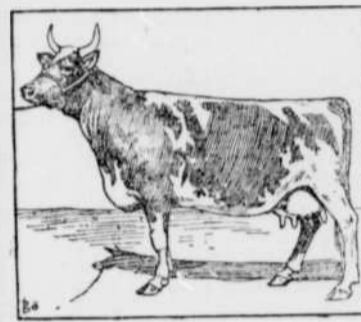
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Ayrshire breeders for the last fifty years or more have been handicapped in breeding because the standard of excellence has lacked uniformity between the three great breeding sections for Ayrshire cattle, Scotland, Canada and the States. The outlook for the future seems much more hopeful, for all three have practically united on one common scale of points as the standard of excellence, and in future there should be no wide difference between Ayrshires of the different sections. If Ayrshires are to be kept as one breed and one general family, there must be more attention paid to breeding after the pattern as laid down by the different associations, and these associations have united on a common standard. There is no reason why breeders may not in all the different countries work in unison to a given standard, said a speaker at the New England Ayrshire club meeting.

The strongest point of the Ayrshire cow, around which cluster all the other points, are the udder and teats, and this is the same in all countries under the recent revision—a large, square udder with four quarters of equal capacity, held strongly up on the belly, running well forward and behind, up out of the



AYRSHIRE COW.

way of dirt and injury; four good sized teats wide apart on the four corners of the udder, in length from two and a half inches to three and a half inches, hanging perpendicularly.

It needs no argument to show that other things being equal, a cow with the above udder and teats is perfection and if breeders of Ayrshires would aim to produce this style of udder on their cows it would in itself cover a multitude of imperfections in other parts of the body. The Ayrshire cow here reproduced from Hoard's Dairyman is owned by Barclay farm, Bryn Mawr, Pa. This cow entered the advanced registry this year and gave 1,155 pounds of milk, 525 pounds of butter in one year.

The Separator in Missouri.

The hand cream separator is a very potent factor in Missouri dairying. It came slowly at first, but of late very rapidly. It has come to stay and has brought additional prosperity with it. Any man with ten ordinary cows who is where he can patronize a creamery, either centralized or local, cannot afford to be without one. The extra cream saved in one year over the deep can or crock system will usually pay for the machine, and the machine if treated decently will last for ten or fifteen years. There are half a dozen makes of separators on the market. Competition has forced them all to become good and stay good. The farm separator is now to the dairy farmer what the twine binder is to the grain farmer. It is possible to cut grain with a cradle, but it would not pay to do it in that way. The milk producer can make some money in the old way of raising cream, but it does not pay.—R. M. Washburn in Kimball's Dairy Farmer.

Care of the Cow's Teats.

The care of the teats should always be observed by the milker and when they get hard and rough should be anointed with vasoline, as cracked teats are an annoyance to the milker, hurtful to the cow and have a tendency to lessen the flow of milk. Long finger nails are also a discomfiture to the cow, and the milker should keep them well pared to avoid trouble. Some cows will not give down their milk for some milkers as readily as to others, and it is often necessary to change milkers and try to find one whom the cow takes a liking to and for whom she will give it down. The holding up of the milk has a tendency to lessen the secretion and consequently the flow.

Grow Feed on the Farm.

The Massachusetts state crop report contains an article by Professor F. E. Cooley on "Some Causes Affecting the Profits of Dairying." On the subject of feeding dairy cattle the professor urges that feeds be produced on the farm as far as possible. Usually the best practice is to purchase only feeds rich in protein and raise the coarse fodders on the farm. Cows fed on starvation rations yield no profit, and those overfed with expensive feeds are also kept at a loss. The point of highest profit in feed must be determined by experiment and calculation and varies with the locality and circumstances of the feeder.

Improving the Herd.

Select as far as possible females which conform to the standard of excellence of the breed. If this is accomplished it will insure a uniformity in type that is highly desirable. In addition to this it is possible to select cows and heifers that are similarly bred they will be more likely to produce uniformity in their offspring.

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A Soldier's Vindication

(Original.)

Bob Hazard was a good natured, devil may care sort of fellow, whom everybody loved. His hair was flax, his eye was robin's egg blue, and he wore a perpetual smile on his lips. He looked so good that butter wouldn't melt in his mouth.

When the Spanish-American war broke out, Bob, who was a member of the national guard of his state, went with his regiment to Cuba and fought through the battles that resulted in the capture of Santiago. He seemed insensible to fear, and his companions said of him that he was too lazy to worry about getting shot.

Bob didn't get shot, but with that luck which comes to reckless people who rather deserve punishment he received a wound just severe enough to enable him to show the scars of a war veteran. A Mauser bullet went through the biceps of his right arm, giving what might pass for two wounds, one where it went in and one where it went out.

Hazard, not being able to handle a musket during this time, had abundant leisure for mischief. Removing two balls from cartridges, he sent one to his best girl, with a letter in which he said that to her and her alone he gave the Spanish bullet with which he had been shot. The other he sent to his other best girl, with a similar message. He enjoyed each to keep the secret of his preference, since he didn't wish to appear to attack any importance to his wound.

Now, the recipients, Miss Edith Spencer and Miss Della Marsh, were extremely feminine young ladies. While neither were in love with the young soldier, both were proud of the preference. Each knew that the other counted on Private Hazard as one of her special friends at the front in those exciting days when not to have an especial friend at the war made a girl feel and appear like a "wallflower" at a ball. The next time Miss Spencer met Miss Marsh after the receipt of her bullet she asked, with a triumphant sparkle in the eye and toss of the head:

"Heard from Bob Hazard lately?"

This was the preliminary part of a conversation that led to the exhibition of two bullets, each with a polished surface, which is never found on one that has been fired from a gun, to say nothing of being sent through a man's arm. Had the girls been disinterested they would have smiled. As it was, they vowed that when Private Robert Hazard returned he should explain this strange proceeding and pronounce upon the genuineness of the ball that had wounded him.

When the war ended, it virtually began for Bob Hazard. An enemy awaited him which would have stricken terror into any man of less bravery. His regiment marched through the city from which it had departed with flying colors and martial music. The first communication he received after being mustered out was a note from Miss Spencer asking him to come and see how she had mounted the keepsake he had sent her. He called that evening and found Miss Spencer and Miss Marsh together. On the table was an open jewel box that had held a pair of solitaire earrings, and in place of the earrings were two bullets. The expression on the faces of the girls was ominous.

"Will you please," said Miss Spencer, "tell us which of these two bullets wounded you?"

Bob looked at the leaden missiles. Their polished surfaces should have brought the blush of shame to his face, but they did not. Indeed he took no note of anything, he was thinking how to wiggle out of the scrape he had brought upon himself. Finally, with an injured air he asked permission to take off his coat, which was granted. Removing the coat and a pair of gold sleeve links, he rolled up his shirt sleeve.

"This wound," he said, pointing to the scar where the missile that had really struck him on the inner surface of the arm, "was made by the bullet on the right. This," pointing to the scar where the original missile had left his arm, "was made by the bullet on the left."

The girls looked at each other. "You two young ladies," he continued, "as special friends of mine, I thought might like to have a bullet that had struck a simple soldier of the Spanish war. Having a bullet for each wound, I was enabled to send one to each of you."

Again the girls looked at each other. "I told you," began Miss Spencer. "And I told you," interrupted Miss Marsh, "that there was some."

"That you were very unjust."

"Do you mean"—flushed Miss Marsh. "Girls," said the soldier, "I am really at fault. I should not have made so much of so trifling a matter."

The victory was with the villain. Neither girl had loved him till his fraudulent vindication, his display of modesty. Then both loved him—while he—loved them both.

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