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In order to make the best of the apple crop much foresight has to be exercised. Where several hundred barrels are to be used, they should always be bought in the knock down, fresh cooperage, and made up on the farm. Long experience has proved this to be the best plan in nearly every case.

Picking baskets ought also to be provided. Some pickers prefer to use a sack slung over the shoulders, but the basket is certainly better, at least for good fruit. A basket with a swinging ball is necessary, the stiff ball baskets being a nuisance. The swinging ball



BASKET FOR APPLE PICKING.

allows a basket to be let down into a barrel and emptied without any trouble, while the fruit has to be poured out of the other basket, much to the damage of the tender apples. The package makers now put out several patterns of picking baskets, nearly all of them good, and varying in price according to the excellence of material and care in manufacture. The best ones are made of oak staves, with oak bottoms, and cost about \$2.50 to \$3 a dozen. Fairly good baskets of braided slats are put out by some factories. In handling soft or fancy fruit, it may be best to re-enforce the baskets with some soft padding, such as canvas over a thin layer of excelsior. The accompanying cut is from a basket thus padded and in actual use in a large commercial orchard. The same cut shows the hook by which the basket is hung to the limb, while the picker is free to climb about and work with both hands.—Country Gentleman.

Nursery Stock.

Most of our fruit plants may be set in the autumn as soon as the leaves fall naturally, provided the ground is in good shape and the work is carefully done. In transplanting in autumn it is

very important to pack the soil around the roots. In Massachusetts, autumn transplanting should be done by the middle of October, which will leave about a month before the ground freezes hard. It is also a good plan in the case of autumn planting to mound up about the trees and to stake them so that they will not be blown down in the winter.

Cap raspberries should never be set in autumn, as they are very liable to fall when set at this time. Rhubarb is one of the plants that I think should be set out in autumn, as it does much better when set at this time than in the spring. In the case of peach and plum trees it is somewhat doubtful if autumn planting should ever be practiced with them in Massachusetts, as they are somewhat tender and are liable to winter injury when thus planted.—S. B. Green in Farm and Fireside.

A Good House Plant.

Dutch hyacinths give more satisfaction for their cost in cash and worth than almost any other house plant. Plant solid bulbs about half depth in five inch pots of good light, rather rich soil; water and set in a cool, dark place until the tops commence to push up and bring into the light, but not set into full sun. By covering the pots with coal ashes, tanbark or similar material, the bulbs may be kept out of doors in a cold frame and brought in every week or ten days for succession of blossoms.—American Agriculturist.

The Narcissuses.

These old time flowers are a general favorite in the garden, as they are well suited to partially shaded places and will grow and please wherever good taste will place them. They are fragrant, bright of color and easily managed—growing among shrubbery and in places where other flowers would refuse to grow.

They should be planted in clumps, masses, setting the bulbs from five to eight inches apart, according to size, and three or four inches deep.—Baileys.

Potting Carnations.

Carnations in the open ground should be lifted, leaving a ball of earth on the roots. In potting this ball should be reduced to fit the pot by means of a pointed stick. Try to retain all the roots. Firm good soil in between the ball of earth and the pot. Water the plants well and set them in the shade for a week, sprinkling them frequently. Afterward gradually accustom them to more light and sun.

Transplanting Rosebushes.

Hardy roses may be planted in autumn by those who understand transplanting operation. If strong well grown plants are used. The best time to set them out is just after the buds become bare of leaves. The soil should be rich.

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The management of the Central Point reamery wish to announce that patrons will be paid in full for cream furnished up to October 31st, as soon as the accounts can be made up after the first day of November. The work of making up statements will necessarily take a few days, but all patrons may expect payment before November 10th.

SUCCESS IN DAIRYING.

It is the Small Leaks That Cause the Failures.

Little leaks in the dairy are the cause of every failure in the dairy. The man who ruins his business by some wild venture can justly lay all the blame to a spirit of gambling. He has got the disease called "get rich quick," which has been the ruin of thousands in this money made age and has nothing to do with the business he is regularly following. When it comes to a lifelong occupation like that of dairying we must make preparation for stopping all the leaks we can and thus add to the profit of our work.

The trouble with most of us is that we overlook, don't see, these small leaks that make such a large total when added up at the end of the season's work, says Home and Farm. To begin with, most of our dairymen are not equipped for detecting these leaks. For instance, one has often heard that hay cut when too old has lost a considerable portion of its feeding nutriment—that is, when the horses or cows eat it they do not get as much benefit from it as if it had been cut several days sooner.

But the farmer answers it is much harder to cure it in a half ripe stage, with risk of loss from rain, and, again, if he sells it he gets more because it weighs more. This first excuse is no excuse at all, for without trouble you cannot make money. It is this dodging trouble that keeps many, if not most, farmers poor all their lives. If you have to feed your hay on the farm then in order to get the greatest in come from it you should have it in the very best condition, and the only way to do that is to take more trouble with it, put it up in smaller cocks, so it will cure more rapidly, work a little harder and faster to avoid the rain, and you many times save a great deal more money in the outcome of the crop.

Milk Easily Tainted.

A dirty tin bucket will injure the quality of the milk and affect injuriously the butter made from that milk, no matter how carefully the work is done subsequently.

Do not let dirt get into it and keep it cold enough to make good butter, and then you have mastered the situation. One thing about the milk room—have the floor on the ground and made of cement, for you are sure to spill more or less milk or cream that will spoil and taint the air of the room, but if the floor is made of cement and you wipe it up before it dries no damage is done. If the floor is wood you cannot wipe or wash the oil out of the wood, though painting it will help.

If you have been in the habit of marketing your butter in long rolls or packed in jars or cans, you will be astonished how much better it will sell if you make it into pretty prints wrapped in parchment paper. It will on an average sell for 5 cents more a pound and sell faster if made to suit the fancy of the buyer. The grocer likes to handle pretty looking pats and will recommend it before a better article, for he knows how lady buyers judge by the looks of things rather than the taste.

Have your own stamp, so that those who like the butter will know how to tell it when they come for more; then it looks as if you were ready to guarantee the article and was therefore sure it was good.

The Profitable Cow.

Always have the barn and fastenings arranged so that the cow will be comfortable, as the comfortable cow is the profitable cow.

Feeding Milk Cattle

Root crops cost more to produce than corn ensilage, but are more convenient for a small herd. The cows like carrots best and do not tire of rotations of roots if mixed with carrots, says a Pennsylvania farmer in American Cultivator.

Food That Taints Milk.

The feed should be good and free from aromatic substances. If these aromatic foods are used they should be employed according to those methods which will not cause odors or flavors in the milk.

Look to the Pasture.

The all round food for milk cows is grass. Therefore look well to the pastures and see that their quality is improved.

Study the Cow's Needs.

Each individual in the herd should be studied and given the care that she requires for best production, says Farm Journal.

Two sisters stood side by side in a herd. One required bulky, light food to cause her to do her best. The other required more concentrated food with less bulk.

No herd of cows can ever be really profitable unless they receive just this careful attention.

Grind the Hay and Stover.

Alfalfa meal is a standard commodity on the feed market, yet I see but little in print as to the results of feeding it, but the few dairymen, says L. W. Lighty in National Stockman, I heard speaking about the experience they had with it seemed very favorable. A prominent Pennsylvania dairyman a few days ago told me he is about putting in grinding machinery that will handle the timothy and mixed hay and reduce them to a fine ground, crushed condition. Who ever tried this practically? Is there any available information in the experiment station reports? I would not like to commit myself, but it seems to me theoretically that we could do the rougher part of the chewing cheaper with gasoline or alcohol power than with cow power. It has been amply demonstrated that feeding the cow easily digested feed saves feed.

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