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WHEN PAPA WAS A LITTLE BOY.

"When papa was a little boy
You really couldn't find
In all the State of Washington
A child so quick to mind,
His mother never called him out,
And it was always there;
He never made the baby cry,
Or pulled his sister's hair.
He never sold down stockings,
Or made the slightest noise;
And never in his life was known
To fight with other boys.
He always studied hard at school,
And got his lessons right;
And chopping wood and milking cows
Were papa's chief delight.
He always rose at six o'clock
And went to bed at eight;
And never lay still noon
And never sat up late.
He finished Latin, French and Greek
When he was ten years old,
And knew the Spanish alphabet
As soon as he was told.
He never grumbled when he had
To do the evening chores,
And no one in all his life forgot
To shut the stable doors.
He never, never thought of play
Until his work was done,
He labored hard from break of day
Until the set of sun.
He never scraped his muddy shoes
Upon the parlor floor,
And never answered back his ma,
And never banged the door,
But truly, I could never see!"
Said Little Dick Mallory,
"How could we never do these things
And really be a boy."

GEORGIA BILLINGS, in Youth's Companion.

It has been decided to call the new paper THE SANTIAM NEWS. Subscriptions will be the next thing in order, price \$1.50. In advance, if we can get it. We will take anything the farmers raise, that we can use or dispose of, on subscription.

The Capital Journal says there are not many faster race tracks in the world than the race track at Salem. That sounds nice, but as a matter of fact the track was not fast at all, and a number of prominent horsemen at the State Fair grounds hated to see Clevelands go against time on such a track. Chevalis is a magnificent horse, but the Salem track added nothing to his speed.

From Nebraska comes the news of the discovery of a new kind of wheat. It differs from the ordinary wheat by growing seven heads in place of one. It seems that it will grow on any land on which ordinary wheat will grow, and that each of the seven heads is the size of the ordinary head and contains well developed grains. It naturally follows that if this wheat meets future expectations, it means considerable to the growers of the country. It seems this new kind of wheat was discovered in California about three years ago, and it has only been grown on a small scale since, as the farmers had but little faith in it, and were disposed to regard the stories about its wonderful yield as yarns in Mexico. Mexican farmers have taken up the new kind of wheat, and so far it has met their expectations. If this variety of wheat turns out all that is expected of it, there's no doubt that it will soon take the place of all other kinds of winter wheat.—ix.

CEMENT FOR MENDING.

A cement excellent for mending almost anything is made by mixing litharge and glycerine to the consistency of thick cream or putty. It is useful in mending crockery, earthenware, stopping leaks in seams of tin cans or wash boilers, cracks holes in iron kettles; it may be used to fasten lamp tops, or tighten loose nuts, to secure bolts, will answer. No pork nor veal, no whose nuts are lost, to tighten loose screws nor fried foods should be joints of wool or iron, or in many cases children. Apples, either under ways about the various rich tables or raw, between meals are utensils, the range, sink and in good. For the evening meal give a the pantry fittings. In all cases the nutritious cream soup, then a red article mentioned should not be used meat, either beef or mutton, roasted, until the crust is set, which will be boiled or baked; a lettuce salad, probably be from time to six days, containing a light French dressing according to the quantity used, made with oil and a few drops of Tid's cement resists the action of lemon juice, some simple dessert, hot or cold water, seeds, and a good such as rice pudding, cup custard, tapioca or boiled apples."

OF INTEREST TO FARMERS.

To over feed hens is a sure way to keep them from laying. Linseed-meal is not a summer food, but it can be followed with excellent results if given about three times a week, in the proportion of about one pound of linseed meal with four pounds of corn-meal, for fifty hens. It is one of the best remedies for bowel disease that can be used, and it is also excellent in the food of molting hens. It is an agreeable change, and frequently supplies the hens with needed substances that are lacking in other feeds.

The process of dehorning cows is quite general in the United States at the present time. Some object to it on account of the severity of the operation. That it hurts the animal one can see, but there is no injurious effect. When we see how submissive the cows become before we begin to fight, we begin to think it is a good thing. And anyone who has had a promising colt gored, or has even been hooked himself, will think dehorning all right. Then it is also claimed that the flow of milk is increased, and the animal easier kept.

The management of fowls in summer, when the weather is excessively warm, demands more care than is usually given. Fowls will breed and multiply so rapidly as to completely ruin the flock almost before the owner is aware of the fact. First, the poultry house should be cleaned, and the fowls made to roost therein, and not outside. Then the interior and exterior should be thoroughly drenched with kerosene emulsion, adding a gill of crude carbolic acid to every quart of the emulsion before adding the water. To make the work sure, the house should be thoroughly drenched every day for a week, and once a week thereafter.

T. B. Terry, in the "Practical Farmer," gives the method adopted by an expert in judging dairy cows in selecting calves that he thinks good enough to raise, as follows: When a calf is dropped we first turn it on its back and examine its teats. If there are four, well placed, and two rudimentary or extra ones, all right. Next we look into the calf's mouth. If there are six or eight milk teeth through, we call the calf well born and worth raising. If it has but two teeth through, it is not worth raising. We will not fuss with it. It shows that the mother had not vitality enough to properly start the calf. We want to breed from the best. We do not raise calves born with two or four teeth just starting through. They will be weakly, puny, subject to disease all their lives. The well-born calf is half raised. Its mother has given it a start from her own strong vitality.

John Gaines has bought a thorough-bred Durham bull and heifer, for which he paid \$200. No doubt many farmers will think John made a poor investment, but to buy a thorough-bred bull is the best investment a cattle man can make. Suppose Mr. Gaines raises 50 calves the first year. The calves at yearlings are easy worth \$2 more than the common herd, and at maturity they will be worth \$5 more than common stock. Will it pay him?

Last spring when the cattle boom was running high in Eastern Oregon, the Butcher Bros. had a bunch of graded Hereford cattle which they refused to sell for \$5 more per head than common bunch grass cattle was going at. Later on they did sell, realizing more above the average price than the first offer. The better the grade the better the price, always.

THE PROPER DIET FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN.

"A school girl of ten years," writes Mrs. S. T. Rorer in the October Ladies' Home Journal, "should have good, easily-digested, nutritious food. Well-cooked, seed-cutlets for breakfast; sub-acid fruits and soft-boiled eggs. If she carries her lunch a cup custard, fruit and a cleaved meat sandwich made from either beef, mutton or chicken. Those who believe chronic diarrhea to be incurable should read what Mr. P. E. Grisham, of Gears Mills, La., has to say on the subject, viz.: 'I have been a sufferer from chronic diarrhea ever since the war and have tried all kinds of medicines for it. At last I found a remedy that effected a cure, and that was Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhea Remedy.' This medicine can always be depended upon for colic, cholera morbus, dysentery and diarrhea. It is pleasant to take and never fails to effect a cure. 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by PEERY & PEERY."

BEATING A GOOD COW.

Johnson and Ross were two general farmers that lived side by side. Each of them kept a cow and each endeavored, beside supplying the family with milk, to make some butter for sale. Johnson was one of the farmers that his neighbors declared had been spoiled by reading books on agriculture and agricultural papers. He had got, as Ross expressed it, "high-kerfuffle ideas" on farming in general, and the cow in particular. One proof of this was in the action of Johnson when he sold off all the cows he had and took the price and put it into a single cow of great milk and butter producing capacity. Ross said that this was a piece of foolishness that could have come only from Johnson's continual reading of agricultural papers. Anyway, every farmer knew that a cow was a cow, and that was all there was to it, and the man that would go into fancy stock of that kind, was simply wasting his money. Why, if he had only put his money into a high-bred hunting dog, there might have been some reason to it.

However, Johnson continued to milk his cow and Ross did the same. Both sent their butter to the same market and got about the same price per pound, as the butter Johnson made was from only one cow, and therefore could not well be sold to a distant market or to fancy customers. Johnson's wife kept account of the receipts and expenditures in a systematic manner and Mrs. Ross, wishing to show that a common cow would do as much as a high-bred one, also kept account on her side, though Mr. Ross said that that, too, was a piece of foolishness. At the end of three months Mrs. Ross confided to her husband that the cost of keeping their cow had just equalled the receipts, while the Johnson cow had \$17 or thereabouts standing to her credit. Ross went into the country and paid \$15 for another cow, and Mrs. Ross' hopes were accordingly raised. But the two cows cost about double the cost of one, and in two months more he found from his wife's accounts that the two cows had made a profit of only \$1.50, while the credit to the Johnson cow was \$20. Ross this time bought a \$20 cow, but at the end of another month the profit for the three was \$2.65, while the Johnson cow had raised the limit to \$33. Ross determined to beat that cow if he had to buy a whole herd, so about once a month he would bring home a new cow, generally bought cheap at some auction.

At the end of eighteen months Ross had a herd of ten cows, all working as faithfully as they could to beat the Johnson cow. The product was greatly increased in volume, even though one or two of the animals had run dry. But the expense of keeping them was considerable, and it seemed to Ross that all the money he took from the grocer he paid out again to the feedman for feed, but this was not quite so. Moreover it had become a great burden with the Ross family to milk ten cows twice a day and otherwise care for them. Mrs. Ross suggested that they had better hire a man to help, but Ross wined at the proposition and said that the profits would not warrant it. At the end of the time specified the Rosses took an account of stock, and found that the last two cows had proved a losing investment, and that now the balance was just a triangle on the wrong side of the books. It had actually cost more to keep the ten cows than they had brought in, after figuring the money value of the feed that had been raised on the farm. They learned that the Johnson cow had increased her net balance to \$70.37 during the eighteen months. This was the last straw for Ross. He sent nine of his cows to the butcher and gave up dairying except for home use. He says there is no profit in dairying, and he knows it by actual experience. Being asked how it was that Johnson made so much from one cow he replied: "Oh that was ball-headed luck."—Heard's Dairyman.

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THE SILO.

Every farmer should have a silo, in fact, no up-to-date owner of stock thinks of trying to do without one. The convenience and profit of the silo are clearly set forth in a bulletin by the New Jersey experiment station as follows:

"1. The silo stores away corn more safely and more permanently than any other plan. Silage is practically waterproof, and will keep in the silo indefinitely.

"2. Corn can be made into silage at less expense than it can be preserved in any other form.

"3. The silo preserves absolutely all but the roots of the corn.

"4. Silage can be made in sunshine or in rain. Unlike hay, it is independent of the weather.

"5. When corn is ready for the silo there is but little farm work pressing.

"6. Corn is worth more to the dairy as silage than in any other form.

"7. At least one-third more corn per acre may be fed on silage than on dried corn stalks or fodder.

"8. Corn is fed more conveniently as silage than in any other form.

"9. Silage is of most value when fed in combination with other food richer in protein. It is not a complete food.

"10. Owing to its succulence and bulkiness, silage is the best known substitute for green grass, and is, therefore, especially valuable as a winter food."

MARRIED OR SINGLE.

One of the ways of telling whether a man is a married man or not is to examine his pockets. In the pockets of a bachelor you will find:

Half a dozen letters from girls.

A tailor's bill.

Three or four old checks for theater seats.

Bills for supper.

Theatrical looking photographs.

A lot of invitations to dances, dinners and receptions.

A tiny glove scented with violet.

But the married man's pocket will contain:

An old bill.

A couple of unposted letters which were given him to post a week past.

A sample of impossible shade which he must match.

A newspaper clipping telling of a sure cure for a cure.

A shopping list ranging from a box of blacking to three yards of lace.

Bills.

More bills.—London Tit-Bits.

To produce earliest ripening tomatoes, just before frost take cuttings from the old plants and keep them in sand, or in sharp, sandy soil, during the winter in a cool, dry cellar. The cuttings should be from the base of the old plants, just above the main roots, taking at the base end of each cutting about 4 inches of the stem, from which new fibers as rootlets have started, and then making the cutting so that it will have two or more leaf buds above the rooted end. Usually the cutting will be about 10 or 12 inches long. It should, as soon as taken off from the main or old plant, have its fibrous end at once planted in a pot or box of sand, or sharp, sandy loam, given a good watering and then set away in a cool place, say in a dry cellar or under stage of a greenhouse. These cuttings, started into growth in the latter part of February, by placing them in the South windows of a warmly kept living room, or placed on the shelves of the greenhouse, or in a hotbed frame, will give fruit two to three weeks earlier than the best plants that can possibly be grown from the seed, and then if cuttings are made from the best plants you are sure to get as good tomatoes next year as this, while tomatoes from seedling plants sometimes prove otherwise.

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"My boy came home from school one day with his hand badly lacerated and bleeding, and suffering great pain," says Mr. E. J. Schall, with Meyer Bros' Drug Co., St. Louis, Mo. "I dressed this wound, and applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely. All pain ceased, and in a remarkably short time it healed without leaving a scar. For wounds, sprains, swellings and rheumatism I know of no medicine or prescription equal to it. I consider it a household necessity." The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by PEERY & PEERY.

Market Report.

Wheat, 72 lbs. per bu.

Oats, 27 " "

Flour, 24 40 " bbl.

Bran, 12 00 " ton.

Middlings 16 "

Chop, \$16 per ton.

Potatoes, 5cts per sack.

Eggs, 15c per doz.

Butter, creamery 25c; ranch 12 1/2 cts.

Hams, 12c per lb.

Shoulder, 10c per lb.

Lard, 10c per lb.

Chickens, 30c per doz.

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