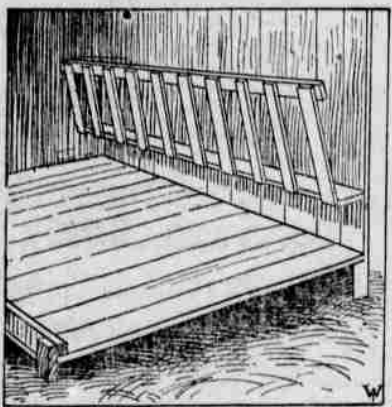




Dairymen everywhere are awakening to the fact that cleanliness in the stable means better milk and consequently better prices, and any arrangement that will help keep the milk giver out of the dirt should be of interest. The illustration shows a stall that a writer in the *Prairie Farmer* claims will keep a cow perfectly clean. It is constructed as follows: Use a 2 by 4 for bottom of feed rack. Place this three feet from floor to stall. Use 1 by 4 strips placed about six inches apart, forming the rack. The strips should slope back



STALL FOR KEEPING COWS CLEAN. about sixty degrees. Place a 2 by 4 on edge from seven to eight feet from front of stall on the floor, depending on size of cow. Fasten the 2 by 4 down to floor, if set in dirt, with a good sized stake. If floor is made of plank, nail a block to floor, then spike the 2 by 4 to blocks.

The cow when eating will stand with her hind feet just behind the 2 by 4, leaving the droppings behind it. When she lies down she will be compelled to lie in front of the 2 by 4, with her head under the feed rack. It is not necessary to have a gutter in a stall of this kind. There should be short partitions, however, to keep the cows from turning around.

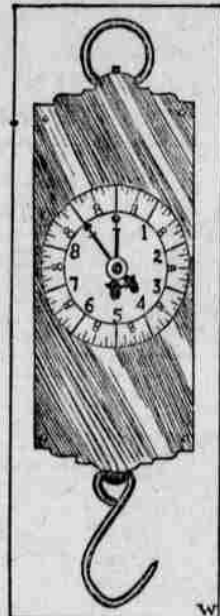
Testing the Dairy Herd.

Records of the performances of dairy cows form the only accurate and safe basis for judging their value. It is the constant aim of progressive dairymen to improve their herds, and such improvement must depend largely upon culling the herd and getting rid of the unprofitable animals. From the breeders' standpoint records are especially valuable in assisting in finding customers for their stock. Many buyers insist on seeing records of dairy performance before purchasing.

A record is also of great help to the feeder. If he knows exactly what a cow is doing he can prepare the ration accordingly and often feed more economically.

Again, a daily milk record enables a dairyman to detect the approach of sickness in a cow and thus to take steps to ward it off. Great inspiration is obtained from keeping a record, and nothing gives a dairyman more satisfaction than watching the improved returns from his herd.

The scales shown in the illustration is



SCALE FOR TESTING.

the milk into a pail for testing purposes. It has two pointers. Before milking you hang the empty pail on the hook and set the colored pointer at 0. Then when you come to weigh the milk you read the weight as marked by this hand. A spring balance that can be bought for 25 or 35 cents will answer the purpose, but will not be as convenient. A shelf on which the bottles are kept, a record sheet and a lead pencil complete the stable equipment for testing your herd. It is but a moment's work to hang the milk pail on the scales, read the dial and record the weight. Mixing the milk and taking the sample will occupy a few moments more, says Kimball's Dairy Farmer, but all represent a very little time and a great deal of gain.

DAIRY POINTERS.

The cows should be well bedded both for comfort and cleanliness.

A bran mash now and then a short time before calving is most beneficial.

If the udder is excessively caked and hard, it is well to draw a little milk from it. This will help to ward off inflammation and garget.

It's poor policy to use anything but the best bull. A grade has no place at the head of your herd.

Do not move cows faster than a comfortable walk while on the way to place of milking or feeding.

The breeder who has a definite idea in view can improve his animals. The one who goes at it blindly never can.

Too many dairymen do not know whether their cows are paying or not. They do not know which are the good and which the poor ones.

Make a study of the herd of cows, select the best ones, sell the poor ones and make the cows keep you instead of you keeping the cows.

In well regulated stables there are signs posted in conspicuous places bearing the one word "Silence." Similar signs should be posted in every milking shed.

If you want a ventilator to draw well, says an Ohio dairyman, run it straight up and do not put any curves or dips in it, and let no man tell you that the middle of the barn is the proper place to have the ventilator. I would rather have four ventilators than one.

Sunlight is the great natural disinfectant. Sunlight and pure air are two great essentials to the health of man and beast. Dark, poorly ventilated and filthy stables are disease breeding grounds. Keep the stables clean and let the sunlight and fresh air penetrate every nook and corner therein. Provide plenty of windows in the stables and fix them so they can be opened and closed with ease and facility.

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moved to much eloquence in his sermon, he felt a not unnatural desire to know if he had made any impression on the congregation. So he questioned the clerk in the vestry.

"Well, I hope they've been pleased, said the clerk," and I am sure we takes it very kind o' yer worship to preach to us; but a worsser one would have done for the likes of us, if so be" — he added one could be found."

HIS GREAT SERVICE.

An illustration of the Generosity of the Elder Dumas.

Dumas pere with manager of the Theatre Historique was continually studying the influence of the temperature on the sale of tickets—at least, he seemed to do so. In fact, this seeming interest in the showing of the thermometer was, like so many other acts of his, nothing but an expression of the proverbial kindness of his heart.

One day Dumas happened to meet an old friend whom he had not seen for thirty years. "Where are you going to this tonight?" he asked the friend.

"Tonight I shall dine nowhere," was the answer.

"Oh, no," said Dumas; "you are mistaken. You will dine with me." He led the friend into his house and gave him the upper place at his table. The poor man had not had such a dinner for a long time, and Dumas when retiring into his writing room after the coffee said, "It is a matter of course that I expect you tomorrow at the same time."

The friend came the next day, and the day after this, and so on for ten years up to his death. One day, however, he told Dumas that as he was eating bread he did not earn this arrangement could not continue. "If I am not able honestly to earn my meals I shall not come again. Tell me in what way I can be of service to you."

Dumas thought a moment; then he said: "You can do me a great favor. You may go to the new bridge every day and take the temperature by Chevallier's thermometer. The temperature, you must know, is of great moment in the matter of the sale of tickets. Could you do this?"

The poor fellow answered affirmatively and from that time on reported to Dumas every day. "At noon the thermometer showed so and so many degrees in the shade." And Dumas, who of course did not care in the least about the temperature, replied with the same regularity: "I am very much obliged. If you only knew what a service you are doing me!"—Harper's Weekly.

SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon For the County of Morrow.

Peter M. Christenson, Plaintiff, vs. Mittie Christenson, Defendant.

To Mittie Christenson, the above named defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint of plaintiff in the above entitled suit now on file in the office of the Clerk of the above court within six weeks from the date of first publication of this summons.

You will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer as herein required, plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in his complaint, as follows:

That the bonds of matrimony now and heretofore existing between yourself and plaintiff be forever dissolved and held for naught, and that plaintiff have an absolute divorce from you, said defendant, and for such other relief as may be meet and equitable.

This summons is published by order of Hon. T. W. Ayers, County Judge of Morrow County, Oregon, made July 9, 1907, directing same to be published once a week for six successive weeks in the *Lexington Wheatfield*, a weekly newspaper published at Lexington, Morrow County, Oregon, and the date of first publication of same is July 11, 1907.

C. E. WOODSON,
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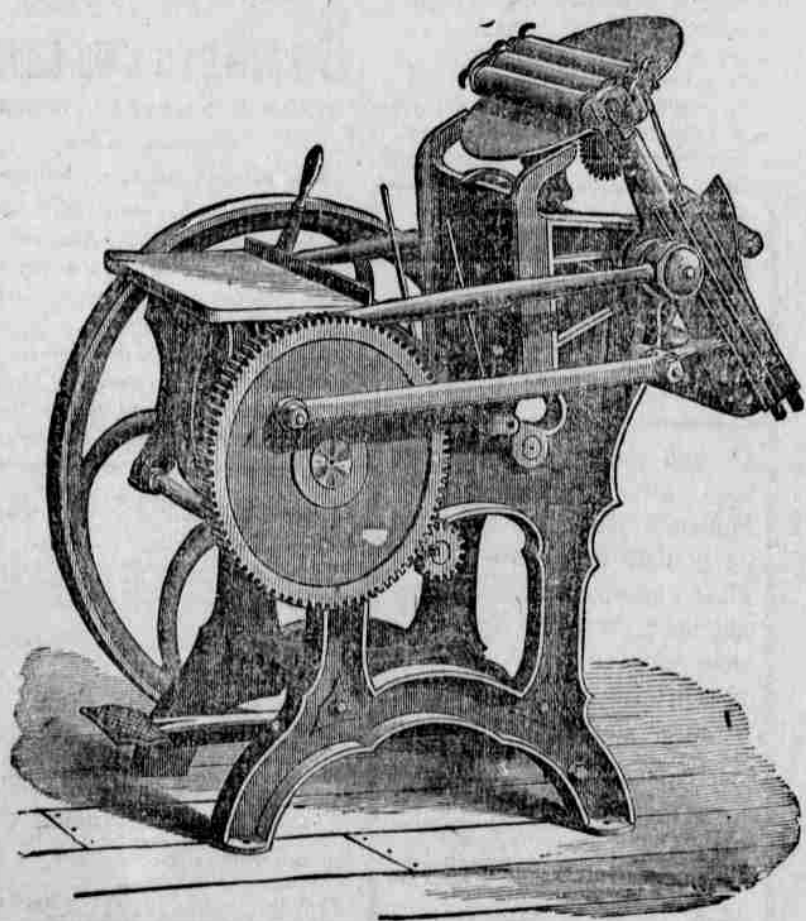
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