

Puts Job in Second Place.
 A Humboldt rancher returned from a year's trip through the east to find that a one-time neighbor of his, a man noted for his perfect patience, had been having a siege of bad luck. Upon hearing the news he immediately sought out the neighbor to condole with him.

"Well, John," he said, after greetings had been exchanged, "I hear you lost all of your timber through the forest fires."
 The other man nodded.
 "And they say that the river cut off your best bottom land; that your hogs all died of cholera; that your wife and children had been sick, and that they have now foreclosed the mortgage on your other place?"
 John nodded again. "Yes, it's all true," he said, looking about him at what had once been his prosperous farm, "all true. Why, sometimes I get almost discouraged."—*Ladies' Home Journal.*

Chivalrous in Face of Misfortune.

At a mass meeting recently in a nearby town an old and foremost citizen who clings to the sartorial style of years ago, was called upon for his views on the subject in discussion. He made a brief speech, and as he was compelled to hurry back to his office, he turned to the seat next to him, on which he had deposited his silk hat, just in time to see a woman flatten it completely by sitting on it.

Ever polite, his feelings were nevertheless stirred, and the best he could think of to say under the circumstances was:

"I—I hope you have not injured yourself, madam."—*Kansas City Star.*

Too Much of a Good Thing.

"I was very happy," said the professor, "when, after years of wooing, she finally said, 'Yes.'"

"But why did you break the engagement so soon after?" asked his friend.

"Man, it was she that dissolved it." "Really?" said the friend. "How did that happen?"

"It was due to my accused absent-mindedness. When, a few days later, I called at her home, I again asked her to marry me."—*Youth's Companion.*

If a girl's arms have pretty dimples in them she'll get them sunburned.

LIVE STOCK



HOG HOUSE IS INEXPENSIVE

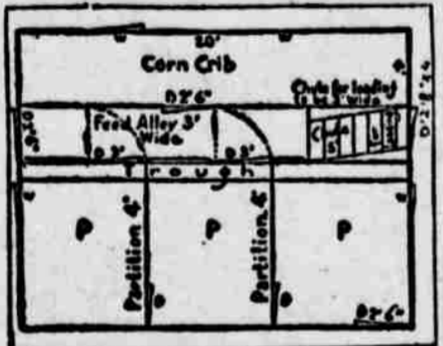
Plan Given for Building That May Be Made Any Size Desired—Foundation of Concrete.

A convenient hog house that is not expensive to build is shown by the two plans. It is 16x20 feet in size, but can be made either larger or



Side View of Hog House.

smaller, writes Bert Schaffer of Michigan in the Farm and Home. There is a four-foot corn crib on one side, and a three-foot feeding alley, and three good-sized pens. It should be built on a concrete wall with the sills placed six inches above the surrounding surface, then fill in four inches with gravel, over which is



Floor Plan of Hog House.

placed two inches of concrete. The trough is built of cement and is twelve inches wide by six inches high. The partitions are four feet high. The house is ten feet high at the ridge, eight feet in front and six feet four inches at the rear. If made twenty feet wide, it would be five feet high at the rear.

KEEPING EWE'S FLEECE DRY

Protection of Breeding Animal From Snow is Important—Should Be Given Exercise.

(By PROF. THOMAS SHAW.)

The protection of breeding ewes from falling snow is important, especially in the form of rain. Winter rains and also sleet are always cold. If sheep of the open woolled breed are long exposed to these, they may do them great harm. The close-wooled breeds, as the Merinos, will be harmed much less, as the water cannot readily enter the wool which they carry. The shelter provided up to the lambing season may be of the simplest kind, providing it will protect from storm and wind.

The aim should be to give breeding ewes large liberty in the winter; if the ground is bare, or even partially, it will do them good to give them large liberty. They will make excursions into the fields in search of grass, and the exercise will do them much good. They should be allowed to lie in a well-bedded yard at night, or in the shed or house adjoining, as they prefer.

The other necessary attentions include regular feeding, supply of salt at all times accessible, an ample supply of pure water and yards apart from those of horses and cattle.

Results of Vaccination.
 The Kansas experiment station has received reports of the result of vaccinating 32,000 hogs against cholera. In herds infected before vaccination 70 per cent of the hogs survived. In herds not infected before vaccination 99 per cent survived. This shows very clearly that the time to use the cholera serum is before the disease hits the herd. The losses from swine disease this year promise to be much less than that, but there is a good deal of scattered over the corn belt and all precautions should be taken. Serum is available now in nearly all important swine-producing states, and those who own hogs should take advantage of it.

Longest-Lived Horses.
 An authority on horses says that the gray will live the longest and that roans come next in order. Blacks, he asserts, seldom live to be over 20 and cream rarely exceed 10 or 15. It is a matter of common observation that grays and sorrels often live to a useful old age. As to the alleged short terms of the other colors, there is room for discussion.

The Halterwise Colt.
 The young horse should be halterwise at one year old. Several weeks before hitching or driving let him stand in the stall with an old harness on. Let him know the harmlessness of every jangling buckle or chafing of flapping strap. Give him a bit, too, to play with and discover that it has come to stay.

CLOVER MIXTURE FOR SWINE

Combination of Alsike With Either Common Red or Mammoth Gives Good Results.

(By R. G. WEATHERSTONE.)

A mixture of alsike with either the common red or the mammoth clover will give more and better pasture than any one of them. The value of the pasture depends on the number of leaves rather than on the stems. The per cent of the leaves is greater in alsike than in the medium and the medium has a larger per cent of leaves than has the mammoth, when compared with the stem. This alsike is finer in stem, too, and renews leafy growth after eaten down better than do the ranker clovers. It pays to sow about ten pounds of medium and five pounds of alsike to each acre.

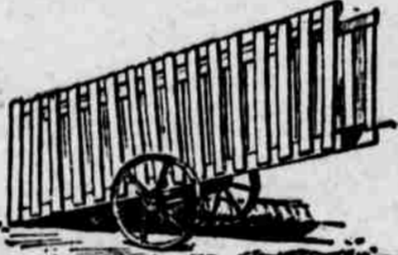
I have noticed that shoats prefer alfalfa to any of these clovers. This suggests that they would enjoy a mixture of clover including alfalfa. As it is less hardy at the start it might be well to defer sowing the alfalfa until the season of severe frost has passed.

Once established, alfalfa will endure as much hardship as any of the clovers named, yet none of them will endure grazing when frozen or even when covered with frost. A little care to keep frost off until the frost has disappeared will prolong the usefulness of the clover pasture. Delay in turning on in the spring until May will be profitable.

STOCK CHUTE QUITE USEFUL

Convenient Farm Implement Easily Moved by Addition of Two Discarded Mower Wheels.

Perhaps every farmer has occasion to load some animal into a wagon and many of them prepare for this by building a stock chute. Frequently these chutes are built as a permanent fixture in connection with the feed lots, but they are often made so that they can be transported from one part of the farm to another. When a chute of this kind is built heavy and strong enough to support the weight of a mature hog or a large calf it becomes a clumsy thing to move. Mr. R. J. Linecott, owner of the Rosalpa Jerseys at Holton, Kan., has solved this problem of inconvenience in a very easy way. The wheels and axle used in making his stock chute are



Stock Chute on Wheels.

parts of old machinery found on the farm, the wheels being taken from an old mower. The upper end of the chute is provided with two strong iron hooks, which are sharpened so as to engage the bottom of the wagon bed and prevent slipping after the animal starts upward. With such an arrangement there is no difficulty in building a chute of ample strength because the question of weight has relatively little importance. The chute can be hooked on behind the wagon and hauled to any part of the farm.

Giving the Horse Salt.

It is a mistake to deprive a horse of salt. Large lumps of rock salt should always be kept in a box in a corner of the manger, where the horse can help himself.

Lice on Horses.

For lice on horses use a good louse powder generously wherever lice appear, and blanket closely for 12 to 15 hours. This kills most of them. Repeat if necessary.

LIVE STOCK NOTES

Blinds on the nervous horse are as fuel added to fire.
 Have the ewes in good flesh condition at mating time.
 Oats should be made a part of the ration of the growing colt.
 Shoats are certainly an attractive proposition at public sales.
 Stick to the "golden hoof" and turn farm wastes into mutton.
 Exposure to chill and rain is detrimental to any silling dumb animal.
 At this time of year considerable attention should be given to the mares.
 A windmill is a necessity on every stock farm where there is not fresh running water.
 Good horses and mules were never higher in American history than they are at the present time.
 The stables, which will soon be occupied by the live stock, should be made comfortable for them.
 The man who gets the cost of production down to the minimum is the man who makes the money.
 A blanket of fat on a horse, like charity, is a mantle that often serves to cover a multitude of defects.
 Experienced shepherds usually make a practice of flushing out the ewes just before breeding time.
 A coat of whitewash on the inside of the barn and other outbuildings will make them lighter and cleaner.
 How to feed and finish hogs for market is a science, a knowledge of which is of great value to hog raisers.
 Hog cholera, or disease resembling it very closely, is reported breaking out in many different parts of the country.

EASY TO FILL THAT ORDER

Floorwalker Hardy Had to Think to Make Satisfactory Answer to the Inquiry.

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Fable for Borrowers.

An Arab went to his neighbor and said: "Lend me your rope." "I can't," said the neighbor. "Why can't you?" "Because I want to use the rope myself."

"For what purpose?" the other persisted. "I want to tie up five cubic feet of water with it."

"How on earth," sneered the would-be borrower, "can you tie up water with a rope?"

"My friend," said the neighbor, "Allah is great and he permits us to do strange things with a rope when we don't want to lend it."—*Boston Evening Transcript.*

Situations Vacant.

The rich bachelor sighed and looked fixedly at the beautiful girl. "Things with me," he said, "are at sixes and sevens. I feel the great need of a woman in my home—one who would straighten out my tangled affairs and make life worth living once again."

Her soft glance spoke her excitement and expectation. "Yes?" she queried, gently. "Do you know," he continued, "of any good, able-bodied woman whom I could get to clean the house?"

Clever Idea of Collector.

Here is a rare specimen of business humor, received the other day by a London firm. It ran:

"Our cashier fell unconscious at his desk this morning. Up to this time, four p. m., we have been unable to get a word out of him except your names. May we say to him, with a view to his immediate recovery, that we have your check, as we think that is what is on his mind?"

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