

NOTES FROM MEADOWBROOK FARM

By William Pitt



By better cultivation get better crops this year.

The surplus suckers in the berry patch must be treated as weeds. Cut them out.

Mix brains with the manure, and painstaking care with your cultivation and farming will pay.

Keep your eye on the orchard. Thin out the fruit so that no branch will become overweighted and snap off.

Corn for fattening, but not for bone-making. Get the frame of your hog built first before crowding the corn feed.

to three and one-half feet wide and long enough so that the animal will not have to stand in the gutter for comfort.

Improved methods of cultivation will do wonders, sometimes almost doubling the yields. Good cultivation more than pays.

Have extra plow points, cultivator teeth and duplicate bolts on hand. They may save you vexatious delay and serious loss.

As a general thing the farmer neglects the root crops. Valuable as food for livestock. Be sure you provide a supply for next winter.

The ration for a work horse should be about two pounds for every 100 pounds of weight. Ten to eighteen pounds should be grain, oats constituting a large part.

Sunshine has a money value for the farmer, not only when it comes to crop growing, but also as related to stock keeping. The dark stable never yet put thrift and health into cattle.

The first few days' warmth counts more than feed with the little chicks. When they are hatched in the incubator the brooder must be watched with the greatest care to see that the right temperature is provided. Not too hot to weaken, not too cold to chill.

Don't waste your manure. It is worth money. The farmer who applies either barnyard manure or chemical fertilizers without a very full knowledge of how much is really needed is wasting a product that has a money value. Applying fertilizers is a science that is just beginning to be studied by many of our farmers.

Cleanliness is absolutely essential in the handling of the milk utensils. When the milk cans come back from the factory clean them at once and place them on a rack especially provided for that purpose. Do not make the mistake many do in having this rack under the shade trees or on the north side of a building. Old Sol will prove your best friend in aiding you to keep the milk cans clean and sweet.

The value of tilling is coming more and more to be appreciated by the farmer. Heavy soils especially need this seemingly expensive treatment, but when it is considered that the productive capacity will be doubled it is not hard to figure out how tilling pays for itself in a very few seasons. To get the surplus water out of the soil makes it warmer and thus provides the conditions needful for vigorous growth.

Peas that are affected by the weevil will float on water and the sound seed sink. Plant only the latter and burn the former, and you will have taken one step towards eradicating this pest from your garden. Where peas are used in large quantities for seed, such as field peas, the weevils may be killed by fumigation with carbon bisulfide. Place the peas in a receptacle which is as nearly air tight as possible and put on top of them some shallow dishes. Pour into them carbon bisulfide at the rate of half an ounce for each bushel of peas. Close the receptacle and let it remain for some hours. The fumes of the gas will kill the weevils. This gas is very explosive and fire of any kind, including pipes and cigars, must be kept away, or serious results will follow.

Proper care of breeding stock insures healthy vigorous chicks.

Thinning fruit gives larger and better fruit, and means greater profit.

Grow more silage corn and then get it into the silo so that it will keep.

Stable manure reinforced by hard wood ashes makes the best orchard fertilizer.

It pays to spray is the declaration of those who have tried it. Do you begin this year?

Give the horse his heaviest feeding at night after the day's work is over and when he has time to digest it.

Where alfalfa is not grown cowpeas make excellent substitute for fall pasturage for sheep. Plan for such a crop.

There are a thousand and one ways of waste on the farm. Be on the watch for them. Stop the little leaks.

The farmer who is making the business of hog raising a matter for scientific study is the man who is making certain of his profits.

The dirt road becomes a good road under the faithful application of the split-log drag. What kind of a road have you alongside of your place?

A cow's digestive system is never improved by drinking from the mud-puddles in the pasture. Drain all such places and provide clean, pure water.

Ideas, like seeds, are no good when laid up on the shelf of the mind and not used. Sow your ideas in the soil of farm experience and reap the harvest of better things.

Crab grass which proves so troublesome in the corn fields during the late summer may be pastured off by the sheep or rather the lambs, for the latter are not likely to trouble the corn.

The matter of first consideration in planting an orchard is that of personal taste. Plant what you like. Other matters which must be considered are soil and location. Select trees which will thrive under the conditions you can provide.

Partial paralysis in pigs may be successfully treated in some cases by dosing with epsom salts, one ounce to each animal, following this physic with one dessertspoonful of cod liver oil, ten grams phosphate of lime and two drops nux-vomica given twice a day for several weeks.

Like the gun that isn't loaded the bull that isn't dangerous is the one that generally goes off and does damage to some one. Don't trust too far the most docile appearing animal. In an instant some time his temper may change and some one be killed or injured before he can escape, or the bull be conquered. Take no chances.

It is reported that State Senator Russell of Oklahoma is pushing a movement for the organization of "acre clubs" in every community in the state. The plan is that each member of the club is to plant an acre of some product, and the scheme is likely to prove a practical school for the education of prospective farmers. Here is a good idea for other states.

Hatching muskmelon seeds under a sitting hen is the method of a New York market gardener in getting early melons, for says he "it is all in getting the seed to sprout." He puts the seed to soak over night in a rag and the next day puts them under the hen, where the heat starts the seeds in three or four days and they are ready to put in the ground in the cold frame.

The medium-sized hog at the present time seems most in favor. Hogs weighing from 300 to 600 pounds or more were once thought to be ideal, but it became apparent to swine growers that every day a hog lived over one year it was losing money for its owner. Now hogs are so managed and fed that in eight or ten months they are large enough to meet the popular demand.

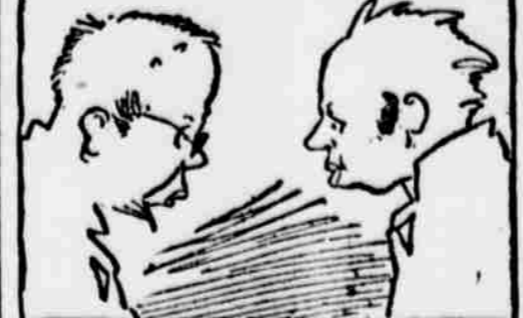
A farmer who has had considerable experience with kicking cows tells us his method of handling them. He takes a piece of inch rope seven or more feet long. He makes a loop in one end, and through this loop runs the rope after passing it around both legs above the joint of the middle of the leg, the rope being crossed between the legs. This arrangement will prevent the rope or loop from slipping down over the legs of the cow. The loop through which the end of the rope is passed should be on the side of the leg and near the milker, as this brings the loose end of the rope in his lap. This end he holds between the pail and his left leg. When the cow kicks she will be able to push her foot forward but a few inches.

FOUND THE CAUSE.

After Six Years of Misery and Wrong Treatment.

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AMENITIES.



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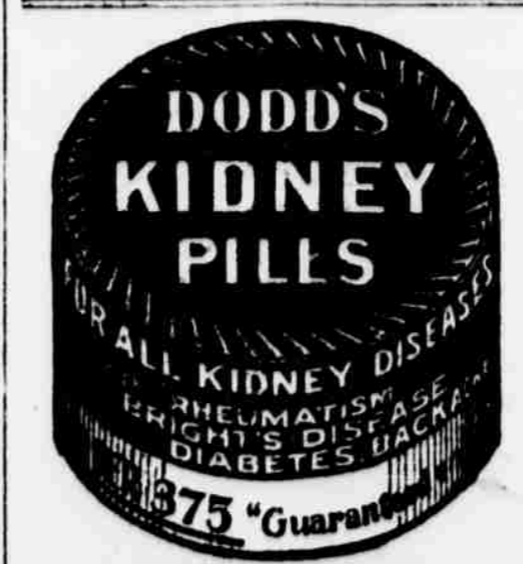
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INSIST ON GETTING WHAT YOU ASK FOR.

His Double Grief. It was sentence day in the city court. A man in the prisoners' pen, who had been sentenced to two years for larceny, began to cry softly. The big man next him, who was going to serve seven years for bigamy, said: "Aw, wotcher sniffin' about?" "I'm—I'm—th-thinkin' about leavin' (sob) my—my—family. Lea-leavin' my wife—"

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