

HOG HOUSE MADE PORTABLE

These Structures Are in Many Ways of Practical Value to Farmer in Providing Shelter.

(By J. C. FULLER.)

Swine were originally natives of warm, damp climates. When domesticated and given proper protection they are found profitable in all agricultural districts. And yet no other farm animal is subjected to such uncomfortable quarters; he frequently sleeps in filth and eats from sour and dirty troughs. Fortunately, farmers are now appreciating better methods for shelter and herd management. With the practice of these improved methods we find the portable hoghouse rapidly coming into favor.

Only the simplest kind of workmanship is necessary to build the portable house and much odd lumber can be worked into it.

The portable house is peculiarly advantageous since it can be readily moved. The renter who finds it impossible to provide expensive quarters for his hogs can well afford to construct portable houses, since they can be retained as personal property. Many farmers construct hog houses

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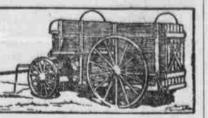
Front of Shed-Roof House.

without considering the importance of sanitation, ventilation and drainage. A hog house of any kind should be located on a high, dry site, and, if possible, on soil containing sufficient sand to drain well. A house located on an elevation may be somewhat colder in winter, but it is much cooler and more comfortable in summer.

Where a large number of animals are continually housed in one hog house and fed in or around the house, the surroundings are sure to become more or less filthy and unsanitary. If feeding is done on the inside it keeps a portion of the floor wet, and gives the entire building an offensive, disagreeable appearance. On the other hand, by using the portable house, moving occasionally onto a fresh plece of ground, and feeding the hogs at a different place one avoids these unsanitary conditions. These portable houses are built to accommodate from four to six mature animals or ten to twenty shoats. This method WHY NOT RAISE MORE MULES? keeps them much cleaner and more thirfty than when allowed to congregate in larger numbers. Individuals of a herd showing exidences of a contagious disease can be readily isolated. The shed-roof portable house, the end of which is here shown, is a building six feet two inches high in large numbers are being purchased front and three feet in the rear. When here and shipped into that councut in the middle 12-foot boards can be used for boarding the front of the as superior to the animals raised in house. A small space left may be Argentina and other countries. The closed by a batten or frieze board at the top. The door of the A-shaped house fi-States for 200 mules. lustrated is arranged to slide in grooves marked "A" and "A." The solid lines on either side of the door and short legged. The ages ranged the material without reducing the represent the batten. The dotted line from four to seven years. It is under-

WAGON FOR HAULING STOCK Conveyance is of Practical Worth in Carrying Dairy Cow or Other Animal Short Distance.

The wagon here illustrated has proved of practical worth for carrying a cow or other animal short distances. The ideas may be adopted by any practical farmer, who with the aid of his home blacksmith or wagon maker can construct a similar wogan, says a writer in the Farm and Home. The axle for the rear wheels is dropped by means of right angles 10 to 14 inches from the hub, making it truly a "low down." There is plenty of room in front for the small wheels to cramp



Low-Down Stock Wagon.

under the box in making sharp turns, and still leave room for the head and shoulders of the upright animal. The semi-circular arches or braces are of wrought fron flattened and bolted, running well down from the top of the box. The rear gate can be lifted off the wrought iron bracket hooks on which it rests at each of its four corners.

SPRING PIGS OUITE SCARCE

Thrifty, Well-Marked Sows Should Be Kept for Breeding-Apple Orchard for Pasture.

Pigs are scarce and high. The cause is largely due to the high price of all kinds of grain. The brood sows have been fattened and sold-the result is a scarcity of shoats and pigs the country over. It will take at least a year before the farmers will be able to fill up their pens. The thrifty, well-marked female pigs should be saved for breeders.

Alter the male pigs before they have made much growth. It is best to have this business done by an expert, as there is less risk of loss. After altering place the pigs in a dry pen, having a bed of clean straw, Give sweet skimmed milk mixed with wheat middlings. As soon as the cuts heal turn into grass and clover pasture.

For the early fall market feed millfeed slop all they will eat twice a day. When the fodder corn is well eared and the grain is in the milk, cut up a few stalks and spread over the pasture once a day. Spread it out thin so that each one will get its full share. Give wood ashes and burnt wood twice a week. Keep the feed trough clean and dry. Sour slop, dirty troughs and yards are sure to breed cholera and swine plague. Breeding stock should have the range of a good clover pasture. There is no better pasture for sows with pigs than the apple orchard. The fallen fruit will do when clean, and the grass and clover



rience as Editor, Author and Manufac-turer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 194 Fifth Ave., Chicago, Ill., and only an close two-cent stamp for reply.

The history of the human race presents no parallel to that of the marvelous development during the present generation in home architecture by the use of concrete hollow blocks and cement plaster. Signs are everywhere seen that this form of construction will continue to be in popular favor during the coming season. Home builders in all parts of the country are hungry for information about this material; what designs are best suited to its use, what forms of construction bring the most lasting and satisfactory results. The demand for such information is unprecedented in the

annals of building. "Tell us how to build a house of cement" is a popular cry heard throughout the land. The beginning of the twentieth century has witnessed rapid strides in the use of cement and concrete in a thou-

sand and one branches of construction work; nor is it difficult to find the cause. The scarcity of timber and lumber is the principal cause outside of all considerations of concrete as to its own intrinsic value as a building material. The shortage of lumber

and its high price has simply brought the building world to a realization of

its value sooner than would have been | proof dwelling is estimated at \$2,000 the case otherwise. Of all the manifold forms in which

"I believe that concrete blocks rep

cement is being used in the various branches of construction work hollow

Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COBT on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide expeed ashiar style being used. The gable ends are filled in with cement plaster on metal lath, the surface being divided off into panels by wooden strips after the English half-timber style.

The interior of this dwelling shows an exceptionally attractive arrangement. It is just what we would expect from the substantial, homelike appearance of the exterior. The living room and dining room form what is practically one large room, 24 feet by 17 feet 9 inches in size. This space is divided through the middle by a very attractive columned opening. A beamed ceiling is used in both of these rooms, and they are made attractive and homelike in other ways by means of built-in bookcases, open fireplace and mantel, large square bay window with window seat, etc.

The kitchen is located in an ell pro jection at the rear, and so is separated from the rest of the house, at the same time being convenient to the dining room. The large built-in kitchen cabinet takes the place of the ordinary pantry. A cross ventilation is provided in this room which is a very destrable feature.

The two good-sized bedrooms are at the left from the living room. The bathroom is situated between them, a small hall or passageway connecting all three.

The total cost of this five-room fire-

TROPHY. NATIONAL CORN EXPOSITION, AT COLUMBUS, OHIO, AWARDS TROPHY FOR PECK OF OATS GROWN IN SAS-

CANADA GETS \$1,500

KATCHEWAN.

Again Canada is to the fore, and has secured at the National Corn Exposition just closed at Columbus, Ohio, the magnificent Colorado silver trophy valued at \$1,500, for the best peck of oats. These oats were grown by Messrs. Hill & Son, of Lloydminster, Saskatchewan, and, as may readily be understood, were of splendid quality to have been so successful in a contest open to the world, and in which competition was

keen. At the same Exposition there were exhibits of wheat and barley, and in all these competitions, the grain shown by Canada secured a wonderful amount of attention, and also a number of awards. During recent exhibitions at which grain from Western Canada was r en permission for entry, it always took first place. At the Spokane Interstate Fair, last fall, where the entries were very large, and the competition keen, the Province of Alberta carried off the silver cup, given by Governor Hay, for the best state or province display, and a score of prizes was awarded Canadian exhibitors for different exhibits of wheat, oats and barley threshed and in the sheaf. Vegetables also received high awards. A pleasing feature of these exhibits was they were mostly made by farmers who had at one time been American Citizens and were now farming in Canada. The Department of the Interior is just in receipt of a magnificent diploma given by the Tri-State Board of Examiners at the Fair held in Cincinnati last fall for agricultural display by Canada.

The Surveyor-General of Canada has just completed a map showing that a large area of land was surveyed last year in the northern portion of Saskatchewan and Alberta in order to be ready for the rush of homesteaders to that district during the coming spring and summer. It is understood surveys covering several hundreds of thousands of acres will be made in addition to these during the coming summer.

A return just issued by the Dominion Lands Branch shows that 48,257 homestead entries were made last year as compared with 37,061 in 1909; of this 48,257, 14,704 were made by Americans. North Dakota coming first on the list with 4,810, Minnesota gives 2,528, South Dakota 1,133, Wisconsin 745, Washington 730, Michigan 706, Iowa 645, while other states show less, but with the exception of Delaware. District of Columbia and the Indian Territory, every state and territory contributed.

The prospects for an abundant crop in all parts of Western Canada for 1911 are said to be excellent. In the districts that required it there was an ample rainfall last autumn, and the snowfall during the present winter is ater than in

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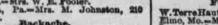
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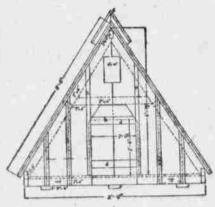
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Front of A-Shaped House.

"b" indicates the doorway. The heavy lines marked "d" are the cross-pieces or cleats on the door and should be nalled on the outside to give the back a smooth surface. A ventilator is shown at "C." This furnishes ventilation for two or three animals when all the doors are shut; if more ventilation is desired, it can easily be secured by opening the small sliding door in the rear. This simple plan of ventilation avoids any direct drafts upon the animals and proves very efficient.

Prevent Hog Cholera.

It is stated that over 10,000 swine have been immunized against hog cholera by the Ohio department of agriculture since January 1, 1910. The Minnesota experiment station is satisfied that "hog cholers can be prevented; and, in recent cases, it can even be treated with a reasonable prospect of cure." The methods will soon be published; and it is believed that the long-sought discovery will be the means of preventing attacks which have cost Minnesota farmers every year from a few thousands to over a million dollars.

Proper Way to Feed a Horse.

The stomach of the horse is guite small-that is, it will hold about two gallons. If the horse is fed his grain the health and comfort of the brood first, then hay and then watered, the sow. grain will be pushed out of the stom-

ach before it is digested. feed some hay and then the grain. In handy,

case the horse is warm it would not do All beef and mutton will hereafter to give all the water it would take, be raised on the small farms and but it should be given a little even farmers must learn how to meet the then. new conditions.

grazed close. If the sows are well fed they will not injure the trees.

cement is brought before the public because it appeals to the bome builder and to the contractor.

Constantly Increasing Demand for Anlmals From South Africa-American is Superior.

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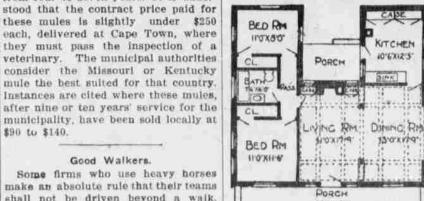
Instances are cited where these mules,

Good Walkers.

resent the form in which concrete will be used to the very largest extent in the future," an authority on this sub-(By EDWIN GUNSAULUS.)

ject and a close observer of modern There is a constantly increasing debuilding tendencies has recently statmand for mules in South Africa, and ed. "This is because the blocks are in a unit form, readily and easily adaptable to architectural arrangetry, the American mule being regarded ment. Moreover, every unit can be inspected before it is placed in the building, giving to the builder a promunicipality of Johannesburg has retection necessary to secure the very best results in his construction work." cently sent an order to the United

Concrete block construction offers It is specified that the mules must many advantages. The hollow blocks be 14% hands, deep girth, good bone make a saving of about one-third in



Some firms who use heavy horses nake an absolute rule that their teams shall not be driven beyond a walk. 326 146 Two results of such a course are ap-Floor Plan parent to the casual observer. First, their horses are in good condition and strength so as to impair safety in any from that fact it is safe to rely on manner. Attractive facings can be

the statement of the owners that they used which will give rich effects withare not always replacing horses that out the use of an expensive mixture should have many years of usefulness in the body of the blocks. In addition before them. Second, their horses to the well-known fire resisting qualisoon learn to walk fast. ties of concrete, a concrete wall has



out harm. The experienced shepherd always provides his animals with an abundance of salt.

Potatoes may be fed to cows and hogs when the market price is comparatively low.

There is considerable danger in feeding well-fed ewes too highly on wheat, corn and alfalfa hay.

Blue grass makes an excellent fall and winter pasture if the farmer lets it grow rank early in the season. If the young ewes are not in good condition there is likely to be a great deal of trouble about lambing time. One thing very noticeable in con-

climates often makes it possible to crete barns is lack of dust and barn put plaster directly onto the inside of vermin which includes mice and rats. the block wall without the use of Buccess in pork production is largelaths. This should not be done, howly affected by the attention given to ever, where the winters are at all severo

All farm animals get hungry for a as a substitute for both brick and change of diet about this time of year. The best way is to water first, then Here is where the roots come in

stone, having all the good qualities possessed by both and, in addition, several advantages possessed by neither The design illustrated herewith will

but little hope of saving ft.

to stop the passage of heat or cold

makes houses of this material warm

in winter and cool in summer. It

tends to prevent sweating and in mild

serve as a good example of a concrete block house, or cottage, at its best.

The concrete block appears at once

SAMPLE OF FRENCH RED TAP concrete building blocks stand out most prominently. This without ques tion is the most popular form in which Mayor and Citizens of Small French

Village Stand and Watch Murderer at Ghastly Work.

using the very best grade of material

and most thorough construction.

An extraordinary story of rural police methods comes from Pontcarre, a little summer resort situated on the edge of the Forest of Armainvilliers, France, where a tramp murdered an old woman, the proprietor of a small inn. Her neighbor, hearing the old woman's screams, instead of giving the alarm, went off to fetch her husband in a village nearly a mile away,

leaving the woman to her fate. The husband thought he had better tell the local watchman, and went off to the latter's house. The watchman in his turn decided he must inform the mayor, who was working at M. Edouard de Rothschild's chateau, which is in the neighborhood. The

mayor immediately set out for the scene, accompanied by the watchman a commercial traveler from Paris who happened to be in the village and a local wineshop keeper.

Through the windows of the murdered woman's inn they could see the murderer rifling the upstair rooms, but the mayor refused to act until the gendarmes arrived. When the tramp came downstairs the party saw him stepping over his victim, who lay dead in a pool of blood. Only after the guardians of public order had watched the violation of the law for 20 minutes did the watchman decide to take action, crying: "Open in the name of the law!" and beating on the door.

But the murderer opened a back window and escaped into the black depths of the forest. He has not been captured.

Midwinter Vipers.

The singular mildness of the last month was strikingly illustrated in the advantage of the interior air chamthe killing of a large viper at Christbers which allow it to conduct heat or mas on a Dartmoor farm, 1,000 feet cold but slowly. During a recent fire, above the sea, by a lady.

while the flames from an adjoining As a general rule vipers hibernate structure were beating against a conduring the winter months, and small crete block wall the inside surface of colonies are occasionally found in a this wall remained so cool that the torpid condition twined together for hand could be placed against it withthe sake of warmth. The reptile who

met his Christmas death on Dartmoor The fire protection afforded by was copper colored, and some naturthese qualities of hollow concrete alists contend that there is more than block walls is an enormous advantage one variety of British viper, a reddish to the home builder, especially one lo- kind being peculiarly venomous. But cating in rural communities, for there vipers vary greatly in color, though it is very seldom that any fire fighting they can always be distinguished from equipment is available, and an ordiother snakes by the shape and marknary house if once it catches fire must ings of the head and by the dark zigcertainly burn completely. There is zag stripe running down the middle of the back .- Westminster Gazette. The ability of the hollow block wall

Young Student

"Thomas," said the professor to a pupil in the junior class in chemistry, mention an oxide." "What is leather an oxide of?" asked the professor. "Leather," replied Thomas. "An ox'ide of beef," answered the bright youngster.

Divorce in High Life, "Your wife says she will not contest your sult for divorce providing you will sign this document." "Hm! How much of an allowance

does she demand?" "It is not for an allowance. It gives

her the custody of the poodle."

Both are essential factors to the farmers, who look upon the moisture that these will produce as being highly beneficial.

A large immigration from the United States is expected, and the demand for literature and information from the various Government Agencies located at different points in the States is the greatest it has ever been.

Since the above was written word has been received that in addition to honors won at Columbus, Ohio, Canada won first and second on wheat and first and second on oats, as well as diplomas.

Norman Cherry of Davis, Saskatch ewan, who was in the reserve for first on wheat, secured the award, with G. H. Hutton of Lacombe, Alberta, sec ond. J. C. Hill & Sons got first on oats besides the silver trophy. G. H.

der. "Somebody sent her a catalogue of

a safety razor factory," said the living skeleton .- Chicago Tribune.

Hutton took second in oats.

Cause Enough. "What's the bearded lady so mad about?" inquired the armless won

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