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HORSES PIGS and CATTLE

CALVES INTENDED FOR BEEF

Necessary to Give Young Animals Grain While on Milk Diet—First Winter of Importance.

When you are feeding calves intended for beef animals you have two methods which may be followed. You can let the calf run with the cow or you remove the calf and feed him skim milk and grains instead of giving him the whole milk, writes L. Hunt of Kansas in Farm Progress. In these days of dairying the calf that is not weaned is likely to become a skim milk calf. The youngster that runs with his mother usually ends his first summer in excellent flesh, while the skim milk calf is not plump, but usually has a larger frame.

If you are going to make beef out of either of these calves it is necessary to give them grain while on a milk diet, if it is plain that they need this extra ration. In handling the skim milk calf give him a little oil meal while the change from the whole to the skim milk is under way and keep it up as he grows older and bigger. Keep him on the pasture and at the same time keep up the feed of skim milk and oil meal



Baby Beef.

twice daily, and along with this there ought to be some cracked corn, bran and ground oats.

There is not much use in feeding the calf that is running with the cow. If on the pasture he is getting about all that he needs. As a general thing it will pay, though, to teach him to eat, for he will have to go through the weaning period. If fed cracked grains and kept on a good pasture the calf will learn to eat before weaning time and will not lose much flesh when separated from the cow.

The first winter is an important period to the calf that is being grown as a beef animal. The calf will have to be given shelter that is more comfortable than the open sheds that are being provided nowadays for the big steers. The rations ought to be such as to keep up a rapid growth if these calves are to be made into "baby beef." Steers sold somewhere under eighteen months of age are rated as "baby beef."

SPRAYING KEEPS FLIES AWAY

Relief Afforded Live Stock by Mixture of Three Parts Fish Oil and One Part Kerosene.

Relief from attacks by flies may be brought to live stock on the farm by the use of sprays. The following spray is suggested in extensor bulletin No. 43 on "Flies and Their Control," by F. L. Washburn, entomologist of the Minnesota college of agriculture.

Three parts of fish oil and one part kerosene.

The spraying is best done with a knapsack sprayer, and it takes only two or three minutes to spray a steer or horse. The spray appears to keep off all flies for two days.

REMEDY FOR PAWING HORSES

Annoying Habit May Be Cured by Fastening Chain to Animal's Leg—Acts as Chain Switch.

A horse that has the habit of pawing, especially at night, is most annoying. It is also bad for the horse's feet if he is pawing all the time. To stop this, take a strong strap with a buckle on it, also 8 or 10 inches of heavy chain. Put the strap around the horse's leg above the knee so the chain will hang down in front of the knee.

This device acts as a chain switch and will cure the horse of the pawing habit. It also keeps a horse from running in rough pastures.—Farm and Fireside.

Sow Becomes Cross.

A brood sow which does not secure sufficient exercise becomes cross and may eat what pigs she does farrow. Improper care and feeding also come in as contributory causes of small litters.

SHEEP DURING WARM SEASON

Particular Attention Should Be Paid to Water Supply—Place the Flock Near a Running Stream.

Particular attention should be given the sheep in warm weather relative to their supply of water. You know, many old foggy farmers still contend that sheep can get all the water they require from the dews. This is certainly a mistaken idea, and one that is absolutely cruel, for sheep need water as much as any of the other farm animals, though they do not drink as much as some others.

I suppose it is a fact that sheep can subsist on the dews as their means of water, but they never do so well as those that have all they can drink, says a writer in Farm Progress. When an animal is forced to live on less than the normal water supply, it is sure to be very uncomfortable. To do well and put on flesh, they should have a running stream of water where they can reach it.

Many sheep raisers have a tendency to let the sheep take care of themselves, after shearing time has passed, and there are so many other farm duties demanding attention. Where there are young lambs, they should be well cared for in order to make the best growth possible before marketing in the fall. They are hard to get in shape to sell when they have been forced to look out for themselves.

If one happens to have a running stream of water in the sheep pasture, he may consider himself fortunate. A pond is next best, and often one is obliged to put up a few rods of fencing to inclose a pond, spring, or part of a creek.

TEACH COLTS FAST WALKING

Best Results Are Secured With Animals Full of Spirit That Want to Get Along Rapidly.

A slow moving colt can be taught to walk fast by hitching it beside a fast walker and urging it to keep up, although it requires good handling to obtain full success with this method. The best results are secured with animals full of spirit that want to move rapidly. At the same time a young horse that is full of spirit, if it is allowed to work too hard, will become too tired, lose its ambition and develop into a slow walker. The best training is to use the young stock at such light work that they can move along rapidly without feeling it, letting them have only enough of it so that they will get into the habit of moving rapidly and keep up the trait after they are older.

ON VAST DISTANCES

London Man Says American Distance Needs an Antidote—Finds It in Firestone Tires

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