A DRIVING HORSE.

Too many farmers consider a driving horse on the farm too great a luxury and expense to be indulged in, and are also afraid to have one because the boys would be led away too much by having such an unproductive animal on the farm. This is a mistaken idea in every way, for even in the mere matter of dollars and cents it pays on nearly every farm to keep a good driving horse, and keep him for that purpose only. During the busy time, if anything breaks down and needs repairing, the work team can be put at something else, and the driving horse used in taking the machine away for repairs, doing it more quickly than the work horse would do it. Driving an ordinary work horse on a fair trot for a couple of hours tires him out more than a whole day's work, besides it breaks up the double work team, and the other horse is idle of the horse.

Again, when the work terms have been hard at work all the week, they deserve and should have Sunday for a full day of rest, and must have it to do full work regularly. This being the case, if the family wish to attend church-and the country church is generally to far away to en able the family to walk to it without too much fatigue-they must forego disease. - American Agriculturist. their desir and stay at home, while if a good drivin, horse was kept it could be used during S, unday.

And now for the boys! The writer of this has been a boy hin, self, and a farmer's boy at that, and he k, rows whereof he affims. When a boy is fait. 'ful, does his duty on the farm, he richely d. serves to have some pleasure, for the aver "ge farmer cannot afford to give him much money. When he does his duty, it is not too much to afford him the pleasure which the occasional use of a driving horse, on Sunday or nice evenings, will afford. It is an incentive for him to do right, to work faithfully, to consult his father's interests, and feel that home is the best place on earth. If all fathers would realize that the promise of a reward is an important factor in bringing out the dominant energies of a boy, and that these feelings are stronger in a boy or young man than in a man of mature years, farmers who have sons would give their boys more opportunities for enjoyment, and thus remove the incentives which would otherwise be presented to the boys to leave home and earn money and enjoyment .- Breeders' Journal.

SWINE BREEDING.

Hogs on grass should be well supplied with salt. Mixed with wood ashes it will be found best, or with crushed charcoal and lime, or all three in such proportion as one pound of salt to a peck of each or all of the other named articles.

Keep the pigs growing. With plenty of grass and and abundance of skim milk there is no reason why there should be any runts among the little squealers. Watch them closely and prevent them from becoming stunted. Remember, a stunted pig never fully recovers what is

that is any breed but a scrub, as all but

well muscled to keep it from complete degeneracy is self evident to any thoughtful person; hence, inasmuch as the natural tendency of the hog is to fat, feeders should make it a point to counteract the evil by using the most nutricous feed, to the exclusion of fat-forming food.

Don't neglect your hogs, even if you are busy upon the farm. The profit upon hogs is a certainty, and it is one of the main profits of the farm, therefore do not get into the habit of bung-hole see that hogs have plenty of good, pure water during the first days of the heated water from a running stream, as well water is preferable, and no stock farm can be complete without full facilities for properly watering stock .- Chicago

SUMMER DIFFICULTIES WITH POULTRY.

There is work to do during summer

necks. The fowl should then be held by spins for itself a tiny white cocoon. the legs, head downward, and thorough-The quarters must also be kept very clean. to the hen-house at night and force a few | tion is constantly going on all around us. dops of warm lard in among the feathers of the head and neck with a sewing-machine oil-can.

To prevent disease, keep the hens at work by making them scratch for their grain food. Over feeding is the cause of bowel diseases in the summer, or, rather, too much concentrated food is given, and until his mate,s return. The saving in not enough of bulky. If the quarters these two items alone will pay the keep of are kept clean, there is little danger of contagious diseases unless an addition is made to the flock by bringing a bird from some other farm. When "new blood" is wanted procure a sitting of eggs of the breed desired, as it is very important that when the coops are clean and the fowls free from disease, no fowls from other places be introdued. A flock may thus be stocked with lice, or infected with

RASPBERRIES-A SUGGESTION.

Since it is becoming the practice to lay out vegetables and berry gardens so as to be kept clean by horse cultivation, it is well to place the different crops in such a position with each other as to make them convenient of access, as well as to afford a pleasing appearance. As a single exberries was placed between a narrow grass v. alk extending lengthwise through abundance of it, with care to cleanlin as the garden, and next the raspberries were several rows of strawberries, and still beyoud was a line of current bushes. The grass walk was fou. - feet wide, and was kept cut short by pass, ing a hand lawnmower over it once a week k, with only a few minutes' work. At the edge of this walk was a line of Caroline r. spherries, this variety being of lower and rounded growth than other sorts, when in fruit its rich yellow berries giv 'e it a quite ornamental appearance. The ish gardener of any acquaintance. When strawberries next to the raspberries, being well enriched with manure, and kept well cultivated and clean by horse power, the raspberries have on one side the advantages of high culture, while all the crop may be gathered from the smooth grass walk.

In laying out a kitchen and fruit garden, an occasional grass walk extending lengthwise gives much easier access to the different parts. The edges of these walks are kept sufficiently trimed by the cutting blade of the one-horse cultivator or with the light one-horse vlow, and laborious hand labor is almost entirely avoided .- Country Gentleman.

A SHEEP SHEARING MACHINE.

The following in reference to a new machine for shearing sheep, which appears to work successfully in Australia, We are frequently asked, "What breed is taken from a foriegn paper: "The shall we adopt?" and in answer to such principle on which it works is the same queries there can be but one answer, and as that a dopted in the reaping machine, and the cutter is ingeniously connected the scrub will give the most satisfactory with a small engine by belting in such a manner a s still to allow the cutter to be The bones of a well-bred, well-fed hog easily applied to the different parts of represent only about one twentieth part | the sheep operated upon. A trial took of its gross weight. An animal of this place at ? Messrs R. Goldsbrough & Co.'s nature must necessarily carry a great deal | wool stor es in Melbourne last month, in of fat, but the importance of making it the presence of 300 gentlemen, among whom the farmers of South Australia were well represented. The trial seems to have been quite successful. The first sheep was shorn in five minutes. But it is not altogether in the matter of speed that the invention is claimed as an improvement upon the old shears. The wool is said to have been so closely cut as materially to increase the weight of the clip, and so evenly that there is no 'second cut.' The owner, therefore, is said to get the whole of the staple, including waste and spigot saving, by neglecting | the most valuable portion which grows the wants of your stock. No one should next the skin. The second sheep, which undertake to do so much that they are was bare on the points and underneath, not masters of all details upon the fram, only occupied three minutes forty-five and they should be especially careful to seconds. The third was a big wether with sor se 'daggy' wool, which was satisfactoril v removed and the fleece all term, also as much shade as is practicable taken off in a little over five minutes. to give them. We always advise against The maclaines cost about £5 per cutter, exclusive of the driving gear."

BENEFICIAL INSECTS.

Beetles are not the only beneficial in sects by .any means; by far the greater numbers are found among the Hymenoptera. This order includes the parasitle Ichneumon-fl ies an inch or more in which is often neglected because it is a lenghth, to m inute species scarcely visible busy season of the farm. Ridding the to the naked eye. The larger kinds defowls of lice should be attended to. posite only on e egg it each victim, while Even when there are no signs of lice, some of the smaller leave their entire

with an oil sack at the base of the tail, lays its eggs. These soon hatch, and the from which she drives oil, not only as a tiny larvae cat their way into the worm | Bronchitis immediately relieved by Shilprotection against lice, but to assist in and are soon thickly between the skin loh's cure. Sold by Smith & Black Bros cleaning her feathers. The large lice and vital organs, where they eat all the therefore congregate on the heads and substance that would otherwise go to necks. If the hen is poor in flesh the lice | make the future moth, and their presence may be found on all parts of the body. does not prevent the worm from eating The best remedy is lard, and only a small | and growing until the little parasites are portion should be used, which should be full-fed, when they eat their way out of rubbed on the skin of the heads and their host, and each stands on end and Sometimes these cocoons are so humerous ly dusted with Persian insect powder. that the back of the worm is almost entirely covered with then, and now it Once a week is not too often to give such shrivels and rapidly shrinks in size and attention to hens in the summer. Go in- soon dies. And this work of destruc-Were it not for these parasites, vegetation could scarcely exist on the earth .- American Ayricultnrist.

CARE OF COLTS.

At about the end of the sixth month the colt should be weaned. During the summer and autumn months he should be allowed to be at grass, which, if succulent and abundant, will be all that is required for food. When taken up in the autumn a sufficient quantity of best English hay, with two or three quarts of bruised oats, should be given daily. Twiceduring the week the colt should receive a few carrots cut up and given raw or steamed, which would render them more easily assimilated, and to these a little bran should be mixed.

Plenty of fresh, clean water should be accessible to the animal. Protection from the weather at all times should be provided, and during the cold seas on warm, well ventilated, sunny quart ers are extremely important.

The first year of the colts life, especialal the first winter, is the most crit cal period of his existence. If through n eglect he is allowed to get out of condit ion supple of such an arrangement, a line of he will never quite recover from the ef fects. Consequently proper food, and an of his person and his quarters are most

Grain never produces a large bell y either on the colt or the adult; certain ly not unless fed out in the most extreord i nary manner, which would prove destruc tion to the animal.

CABBAGE WORMS AND SQUASH BUGS DE-

Cabbage worms never trouble an Engthe v first appear, he disolves a tablespoon ful of saltpeter in a prilful of tepid water and gives the plant a good sprinkling. The worms will disapp ear speedily. If they begin after a few da ys to appear again, renew the sprinkling, and you will seldom have occasion to apply it a third time. It promotes the growth of plants also. Seeing him puanting his melons; squashes and cucumbers, I asked him if the bugs would not destroy the vines. He said he was never troubted by striped bugs. When he prepared the bills he planted a circle of beans six inches apart around the outer edge of each hill. The beans would come up just before the melons, etc., would appear, and no bug would ever molest the vines. I have tried these two remedies myself for ten years with perfect success .- J. C. S. in Farm and Lome.

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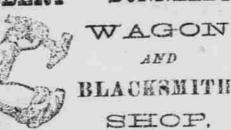
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