

USEFUL AND SUGGESTIVE.

The last census shows Connecticut to have 30,598 farms, 3,126 of which are rented.

Never use the curry-comb on a horse's legs below the knee and hock. A corn broom is best, since it takes out the dirt and does not hurt the horse.

A saturated solution of sulphate of copper in water is recommended as the cheapest and best thing for writing on zinc labels. The writing should be done with a hardwood stile or a blunt quill pen.

Brown Holland shades may be brightened and given a pretty finish by trimming them across the bottom with caterpillar fringe: choose that made of the shades of brown tipped with scarlet.

Serviceable aprons for a nurse are made of heavy white cotton cloth, cut in squares an inch and a half deep around the bottom. Make the apron double, and it will protect the dress perfectly. The squares may be bound with tape, or turned in and stitched.

Kill the early bug. Cut a few potatoes in slices and leave them about in the fields where the bugs can scent them, and you can have a swarm of beetles that would, let alone, make a progeny sufficient to destroy your whole crop. Having got the creatures together, treat them to a dose of Paris green.

The secret of raising winter squashes is to plant them late. When maggots get into the vines the only way to save the crop is to cover the vine about six inches deep with earth. Burying the worm kills it, and does not hurt the vines. The crescent strawberry is the best variety for all purposes. The way to get rich in farming is to keep down weeds and use plenty of manure.

Rhubarb Pie: Rhubarb should be peeled and cut in two-inch lengths, and cooked with only water enough to cover the bottom of the kettle, with half a pound of brown sugar to each pound spread over the top, and the steam shut in. It bakes easily, and should be cooked at the side of the range or set upon a brick till the sugar dissolves with the juice to form a sirup. Line the pie pans with puff paste, made not very rich, fill with the stewed rhubarb and place broad strips of paste, cut with a paste jagger across and bake; or use the plain pie paste and bake with a top crust. Sprinkle powdered sugar over.

Eating for Working.

The importance of this matter is far too little appreciated or understood by the great majority of farmers. Many who carefully consider what kinds and quantities of food, of oats, corn, ground and cut feed, hay or grass, will enable them to get the most work out of their horses and oxen, the richest milk, or largest amount of it, from their cows—also the best times of feeding—sadly neglect to use similar thought and care respecting themselves and their workmen. The foreigner working a New Jersey farm, in explaining how he got together money enough to buy it, said: "We sell every thing that brings de cash; what won't sell, we feeds to de hosses; what de hosses don't eat, we feeds to de cows; what de cows don't eat, we feeds to de sheeps; what de sheeps don't eat, we feeds to de pigs; and what dey don't eat, we eats ourselves." This is an exaggerated statement, of course, but it illustrates a principle too often followed—selling the good and eating the poor.

Strength comes only from suitable nutritious food, well digested. A man, whether employer or employed, will have far more working power if he eats as much, and only as much as he can digest well, of lean meat, properly cooked, good bread, oat-meal, ordinary and curd cheese, and the like, than if consuming salt fat pork, cooked almost to a crisp, with potatoes, etc. A laborer paid a dollar or more a day, will do double real work if five to ten cents extra be spent in supplying him with food that will give him the fullest strength. Beans, if not charred or browned in cooking, peas, green or ripe, good bread, and cabbage thoroughly cooked, supply the elements for muscular force.

The blood is the active helper in digesting food, by supplying the gastric solvents, and it carries nourishment to the muscles and to the brain. While a heavy meal is being worked up, the blood is drawn away from the muscles and brain to the stomach. When at hard work or exercise with mind or body, the blood is drawn from the stomach, and less nutriment is obtained from the food. It is a good rule to work slowly at first, after full meals, and increase the amount of exercise gradually, as the blood can be spared from the digestive organs. More will be accomplished by this course in working and thinking. The French people, who make a study of the subject, take a very little food on rising, a roll and coffee, and perhaps a baked apple, and begin work at daylight. Towards noon they take another similar simple roast, and do a full day's work by four o'clock in the afternoon; then rest a little, take a full hearty meal, and make a business of digesting it. During the rest of the evening and night, this meal is digested, diffused all through the system, and quietly builds up and strengthens the muscles, so that they are ready for vigorous work the next day. Experienced horsemen understand that with a heavy feed of oats, etc., at night, and a light breakfast, a horse gets a reserved stock of muscular strength laid in advance, and will travel faster and further than one having a hearty morning feed to start on.

Good work from human beings, just as from machinery, requires good treatment, and the finer the quality and the greater the quantity of the work, the larger must be the outlay. Build factories that supply pure air, and the employes will produce more; but they will ask for more pay, because they will consume more food, and cannot live on low wages. A donkey can exist on stables, of course, and give a donkey's return; but a race-horse cannot be placed on the same fare with profit to any one.

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Neglected Education of the Horse.

When we meet that very young colt that has not learned to scare at objects and sounds that will frighten an old horse, we can only conclude that lessons upon the horse have a double action: First he learns to take fright at sights and sounds; then he is made, in a measure, to forget these lessons, by being convinced that certain things imagined by him to be dangerous are entirely harmless. If this version be correct, then how much easier to habituate the horse, from early colthood up, to such sounds and objects as are known to be common sources of fright to the horse.

The reason of the horse becoming startled at certain unusual things when he comes upon them suddenly, or if they come upon him without warning, is that they are unexpected; and the fault in his education lies in the fact that we fail to accustom him to sights and sounds which we know he will be exposed to when driven upon the street or road. The very young colt accepts what he is ushered into the presence of, and has no idea of having enemies to guard against.

The grown up horses about him become afraid of the senseless groom, and spring forward in their stalls or boxes when he comes near with a whip or pitchfork in hand. The young colt partakes of the fear, and from that moment is on the lookout for danger. When he goes to the pasture with his dam, it is to be in company with the notably timid horse of the farm, the one that the mischievous boys always delight in starting on the run. The timid horse elevates his head and tail, gives his warning snort, and the whole herd, including the sucking colt, obey the signal—the relic of the wild state—and from that moment the young colt is taught to look out for danger.

The dam driven upon the road with the colt by her side, is given to shying. The colt, having no suspicions before, now learns to look upon the bush, stump, flag, or whatever else its dam shows fear of, as a dangerous object; a thing to be avoided. Signals are peculiar to the domesticated state, as to the state of wildness, and when the dam circles away from the bush or stump, she gives the colt the signal of danger, and from that moment the colt learns to scare when on the road.

If the whip is used, then the colt, through the sudden springs of its dam, is doubly impressed with the idea of danger. On returning, as remembering localities is one of the strongest traits of intelligence in the horse, both mare and colt, as they near a bend or where the imaginary danger will prepare for the usual quick move to one side, and will be in an excited state for the whip. So, as the mare is taught, the colt also learns. His education begins when his eyes first see the light, and his ears first hear a sound.

If the mare is made to stop quietly at the first intimation that she is about to shy, and induced quietly to approach the object, neither harsh word nor whip being used, she is not only disarmed of fear of the object, but the colt is prevented from taking alarm, and the danger of falling into a very bad habit is avoided.

We all know that early impressions made upon the child, if at all startling, are rarely, if ever, entirely effaced. The sentiment of fear is more natural to the colt than to the child, and fear in the colt is blind and unreasoning; not necessarily so, but made so by neglect in his education; for all men know, or at any rate all should know, that the horse of average intelligence is quite as capable of remembering lessons that are given him with care as some men are. We often hear it said of children that they have been ruined in their education. We rarely hear this said of a horse; yet it is as often true of the latter as of the former.

Intelligence and respectability should be as steadily required of the horse used as a sire, as size or good breeding, for a vicious stallion gives more or less of this damaging trait to all his get. Bad temper is sometimes so fixed in the animal as to be beyond the power of man to eradicate it, or even to keep it under fair control. But in the case of a colt of fair disposition and average intelligence, there is hardly any emergency liable to arise in ordinary driving, team or farm work, that he will not face without fear, or danger of doing harm, if he has been properly handled from the start. A spirited horse, if he has been properly taught, will go down hill without holdbacks, allowing the cross-bar to press against his thighs; while without the training, he will run away if a single strap gets loose or disarranged. In the one case we educate the horse as we do the boy, that we may render him valuable through his understanding, and the knowledge of the duties we expect him to perform, while in the other we take the untrained horse, put him in places of trust, and then blame him because he does not perform duties which he can only fully understand through training, and cannot by any possibility know the rudiments of through instinct.

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The Duty of Newspapers.

When experienced, practical and unprejudiced physicians widely endorse and recommend a medicine, knowing from the ingredients it contains that it is Nature's best assistant as a Health renewer, especially in curing impure blood, dyspepsia, kidney and lung diseases, female complaints, and general weakness, then indeed, should the newspaper press of the country give publicity to the fact. We refer to Dr. Guyott's Yellow Dock and Sarsaparilla, a medicine of which over a million bottles were sold last year, without one single instance of complaint.

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