

NOISES FROM MEADOWBROOK FARM

By William Pitt

Summer is the time to put in the drains.

For the dairy cows clover hay is far preferable to timothy hay.

The man who does not like cows has no business trying to run a dairy.

My, how good the vegetables are from that garden now. Pays for all the trouble it cost, now doesn't it?

It's the little foxes that spoil the vines and it is the little leaks on the farm that spoil the farmer's profits.

Have you been putting in to practice this year the new ideas and lessons you gained at the institute last winter?

Skim milk is about all the young pigs need, it containing all the food ingredients necessary for their growth.

Better seed, better soil preparation, better cultivation will give better corn crop next year. Try this triple extract of good farming.

The National Dairy show and the National Corn exposition at Chicago in October. Don't fail to plan to attend these two great shows.

The increasing demand for mules and the better prices are making them a most profitable animal to raise. Better get a few and raise some.

Finer, larger berries will be grown on your strawberry vines if you provide the runners cut off after two or three plants have formed from a parent plant.

To be sure, breeding sows do not cost so much at weaning time, but who is keen enough to detect the animals with specially good points? Don't make a practice of it.

Though the value of milk, either whole or skimmed, is generally recognized for chicken-rearing and chicken fattening, it is not so much used as it ought to be. On many farms the skim milk all goes to the pigs, and the chickens get none; yet, as experiments have often shown, a brood given all the skim milk shows more rapid gains than upon any other feed.

Farming as Life sees it: Farmers are most prosperous in the temperate regions, quite as one would expect to find them. For in the temperate regions the farming season is only about three months long, leaving the farmer nine months during which to engage in other pursuits and thus earn money to keep his farm going. Very obviously the farmer in the tropics, where the farming season is six, seven, eight or even ten months long, is at a serious disadvantage. Who can blame him if he becomes discouraged and sinks at length into apathy? If you are about to take up farming, with a view to becoming wealthy, by all means secure land in the temperate regions.

The faculty of the technical college at Chelmsford, England, has announced the discovery that cows treated politely will give more milk, which has led the Chicago Tribune to formulate the following rules of dairy etiquette: Always approach a cow from the right side, bow and say: "Good morning, does your cud suit you?" Always lift your hat when you enter the milking room. Always inquire if your cow slept well. Remember a kind word from the mouth is worth two quarts in the pail. Should the cow kick the bucket slap her gently and cow dip her tail in the bucket and slash it across your face say: "You mischievous thing!" Should the cow tread on your feet or squeeze you against the side of the barn laugh merrily and make a jesting remark. Remember that addressing any self-respecting cow as "co-Boss" is an affront likely to cost you a quart of milk. When your cow has jumped the pasture fence and you find her taking a stroll in your geranium bed appear not to notice that she has done wrong. When you find her in your neighbor's field applaud her.

Exterminate wild garlic by system of cultivation which will disturb the plant in its critical stages. This may be accomplished by summer and early fall cultivation, followed by similar treatment in the early spring and through the second season, together with the growing of a field crop for two or three years.

It is said that the laurel and the sunflower have been found to be of the greatest use in damp situations. People who live in such spots—especially near undrained land—think there is no help for them but by removal. Successful experiments have shown that it is possible to materially improve the atmosphere in such neighborhoods by the planting of laurels and sunflowers. The former gives off an abundance of ozone, while the latter is potent in destroying the malarial conditions. These two, if planted even on the most restricted scale in a garden, or any ground close to the house, will be found to speedily increase the dryness and salubrity of the atmosphere. The experiment is well worth trying in badly-drained localities.

Do not keep your poultry in too large flocks.

Trust in providence, but keep the cultivator tools bright.

Young pigs running with old ones will not do well. Keep them separate.

Look over the lambs and select the best possible animals for future breeding.

Agriculture as a regular study in the schools is coming, especially in rural communities.

It appears from the statements of experts that the world's wheat crop is short this year.

Be sure the cows get plenty of drinking water that is clean and cool. Water your milk through the cow.

Good management of the swine herd will put money into the farmer's pocket quicker than in almost any other way.

Feed well during the moulting season if you would have your poultry come through strong and ready for fall and winter laying.

Keep the digestive apparatus of the pigs in good condition as it is through this channel that you build up the pork you hope to sell.

Looseness of the bowels is sometimes caused in horses by sharpness of the teeth which prevents proper mastication of the food.

Know what your crops cost you, keep account of your receipts and draw a balance to see if you are getting ahead or are losing money.

A few minutes work over the forge will turn an old harrow tooth into a good staple puller. Sharpen and bend the point into a curve and it is ready for use.

Horses like water just as do you when they are thirsty. What plan do you have of watering them? Any old time that is most convenient? Don't do that way.

The bed of the pig is seldom looked after as it should be. Give fresh straw as often as necessary to provide a dry, clean bed and have the building located in a dry place.

The surest way to drive the boys from the farm is to let the work of the farm be carried on in such a slipshod method as to never be done. Early and late method is a poor one.

Are you planning to attend the agricultural fair? Do so by all means. A study of the exhibits will prove many an eye opener to you and give you suggestions for the betterment of your own methods.

Perhaps your wood lot can be improved by draining and by the planting of seeds of species of trees that will give the greatest amount of fuel material in the fewest number of years.

Here is a cow story from England which shows that the shrewd cowman is in evidence over there as well as in Yankee land. A Dumfries cattle-dealer sold a cow to the man from Hawick. The latter summoned the dealer for compensation, on the ground that he had given false information about the cow. The case came before the sheriff. "I asked him," said the plaintiff, "if the cow was a good milker?" "And what did he say?" "He said, 'She'll astonish you,' but since I've had her she has not given one drop of milk." "Then," said the sheriff, "I should say she has astonished you." Verdict for the defendant.

The discussion as to which is the better, the strictly dairy type of cow or the dual purpose cow still continues. This can be said for the encouragement of both factions: that both are in part right. A man living near a large city who has a special high priced trade for milk or butter, or both, will probably do better with a strictly dairy breed, because he can soon make the price of a cow's weight in beef by feeding in such a way as to get a large return in milk. On the other hand, a farmer living some distance from a large town, with plenty of pasture and beef producing feeds, will make more money by raising calves from cows that will make large quantities of beef and not give so much milk; that is, he will make more money from the amount of milk that he does get, supplemented by the amount of beef he can make from the growing stock than he would by keeping a small dairy breed and depending entirely upon the amount of money received for milk products alone. There is plenty of room for the smaller dairy breeds, and there is a continually growing demand for large cows that will milk well and beef well.

Have you been so much interested in the matter of your field crops as to have forgotten and neglected the wood lot? Don't let any kind of trees grow there, but pick the trees which make the best fire-wood.

Just send a batch of vegetables from your garden to your neighbor who did not have time, as he said, to plant a garden. Perhaps it will make him repent of his folly and lead him to make good resolutions for the year to come.

Feeding and breeding are closely related. Some experimenters have found that when sows are fed very sparingly or on improper kinds of food for some time before the breeding season, it is often difficult to get them to breed and the individuals in the litters are generally pretty irregular both as to size and vigor. On the other hand, sows that are fed bountifully before farrowing usually breed with out difficulty, producing large and uniform litters. Of course during these experiments the sows were fed a suitable balanced ration and were given plenty of exercise.

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APPEAL THAT WAS HEED.

Judge Must Also Have Been Follower of the Gentle Art.

John Quincy Adams, of Massachusetts, third of that name, who died about ten years ago, was very fond of fishing, and not especially fond of his legal profession.

One day, the story runs, a case in which he was counsel was down for trial in a Massachusetts court. Mr. Adams did not make his appearance, but sent a letter to the judge. That worthy gentleman read it, and then postponed the case with the announcement: "Mr. Adams is detained on important business."

It was afterward learned by a colleague of Adams that the letter read as follows: "Dear Judge: For the sake of old Isaac Walton, please continue my case till Friday. The smelts are biting, and I can't leave."

Why He Was Jolly.

Bidder met Kidder, and Kidder was 'tut bubbling with good humor. "What are you feeling so uncommon jolly over?" said Bidder. "Why, my best girl went and got married yesterday," said Kidder, slapping Bidder on the back. "Seems to me that's about the last thing for a chap to feel jolly over," said Bidder. "What!" said Kidder. "It was me she went and got married to!" "And so the cigars were on Bidder.—Browning's Magazine.

CHILDREN TORTURED.

Girl Had Running Sores from Eczema—Boy Tortured by Poison Oak—Both Cured by Cuticura.

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"When it was brought to my attention that coffee caused so many nervous diseases, I concluded to drop coffee and take Postum Food Coffee to see if my trouble was caused by coffee drinking."

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Gift Not All a Gift.

Generosity That Was Purely the Result of Accident.

A missionary bishop told this story about F. Marion Crawford, the famous novelist: "Mr. Crawford went to school," he said, "in Concord, and one day he was taken to call at a Concord clergyman's."

"The clergyman had a missionary box on his drawing room table, and, time hanging heavily on the boy's hands, he amused himself with trying whether a silver dollar—it was all the money he had in the world, and he had converted it into that gigantic coin for safety—would go into the slit in the box's top."

"It was a close fit, but unfortunately it did go, and the coin slipped out of the missionary author's fingers. There was a terrific crash of silver falling among the coppers—and then the boy, as the novelist says, 'knew no more.'"

"When he came to himself he found the clergyman and his family in raptures over his generosity."

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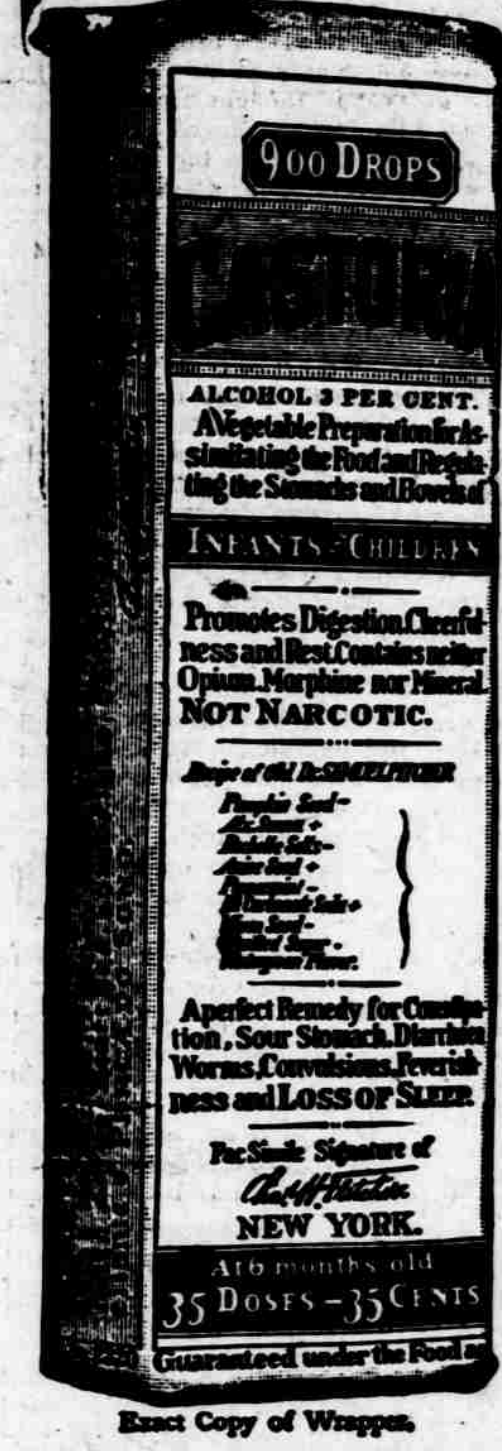
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