



The Farm and Stock.

Black-Leg.

Prof. Arnold prescribes the following treatment for black-leg:
To check black-leg in cattle change the pasture at once. This disease is developed by malaria arising either from low ground or from stagnant water, accompanied either with an excess of nutrition, young, thrifty and energetic feeders being the most liable to attack.

Careless Feeding.

A few days ago a friend sent me word that every day he gave nearly twenty pails of buttermilk to a lot of "shoots," and they scarcely improved at all.
Thinks I, this is a breed of hogs worth seeing. They must be of the sheet iron kind. So I called on him, heard him repeat the mournful story, and then visited the sty, in order to get a better view of these miraculous swine.

The First Calf.

It is often the case, when a heifer has her first calf, that the farmer thinks she will not give more milk than will keep her calf in good condition, and lets them run together to teach her the mystery of being milked when she has her next calf.

Moss Mulching.

More evidence in support of the benefit of mulching is furnished the Gardener's Monthly, by Peter Henderson, under the caption of "Moss Mulching." There is no reason why superior benefit may not be derived from the same practice applied to other plants than flowers.

inch pots that had become somewhat exhausted by being forced for flowers for the holidays. Believing the idea to be a good one I at once had a lot of 3000 plants so mulched, mixing, however, with the moss a good portion of bone dust, perhaps one part weight of bone dust to thirty parts of moss.

One great advantage is that by this system plants can be grown as large and fine in a 4-inch pot as in a 6-inch pot without the mulch, for the reason that the plant is now fed by the moss and bone from the surface of the pot—the best feeding point as most cultivators of experience now believe.

Poultry.

The Turkey.

The origin of the turkey of our farm-yards is, like that of many other of our domestic animals, a matter of very considerable uncertainty. As the turkey was unknown before the discovery of America, it has no name in the ancient language.

Boys as Fowl Raisers.

Now comes a scheme that is just right. How can we teach a boy business habits better than by giving him an opportunity to "run" a henery? The accounts must be accurately kept; there must be buying and selling; there must be bantering; there ought to be profit.

A love of home is fostered by the ownership of flowers, small fruits and poultry. A fondness for the finest things produced in our climate—to cultivate them if belonging to the vegetable kingdom; to breed, foster and pet them if belonging to the animal kingdom—is not only a source of keen enjoyment, but indicates good traits and a certain elevation of character above that which is brutish.

The Guinea Fowl.

The Poultry Monthly says: "We are glad to see that the Guinea fowl is receiving so much attention at the hands of breeders and farmers generally, for they have merits of no mean order—merits which are just beginning to be fully appreciated."

Despite the many years of domestication which the Guinea fowl has undergone, it still possesses, in a marked degree, its wild, untamed nature, preferring to roost in trees to roosting in an enclosure, and almost invariably stealing their nests in some secluded, far away spot, where they shell out the eggs in great numbers.

Guinea fowls are very useful where there are many enemies to poultry—such as hawks, crows, snakes, rats, etc., for they are ever on the alert to detect danger and give the alarm so quickly, and in such shrill and oft-repeated tones, that the enemies generally leave ere the owner of the fowls can come upon the scene with his ever loaded gun, and dog.

Poultry for the Table.

La Basse-cour, a French journal specially devoted to the interests of the poultry yard, gives the following directions for insuring white, plump and tender poultry for the table, as obtained from a celebrated cook in the south of France.

To Prepare Fowls for Cooking.

Pick out the pin-feathers, take out the gall-bag, without breaking, singe the hairs over a quick blaze, wash thoroughly, passing a stream of cold water again and again through the inside, cut off the head, feet and neck.

out breaking the inner white skin, be placed inside a wild duck, and kept there forty-eight hours before cooking, it will remove all traces of a fishy flavor.

Apiary.

Hats, Veils and Gloves.

We are not one of those favored persons whom the bees will not sting. Occasionally we work in the apiary without protection, but are most generally rewarded for our temerity by receiving more or less stings.

A perfect protection for the head is desirable, and that can be had in a hat made of wire-cloth. We prefer cloth that is woven of fine wire and painted green, which is good for the vision, and also prevents rusting.

Be-veils can be made of black tarlatan, sewed up like a bag, half a yard long, open at the top and bottom, and with a diameter of the rim of a hat.

We have tried india rubber gloves, but they are a failure. In a very short time they become wet with perspiration, were offensive to the bees, and very expensive as they last only a short time.

"Another New Departure."

Under this caption, T. G. Newman, editor of the Bee-Keepers Journal, informs his readers, in the November number, that the bee-keepers' industry has grown to such importance that it now demands and will sustain a weekly publication devoted exclusively to its interest.

Every beekeeper is probably aware of the fact that bees, in regions where the basswood, or linden, tree abounds, gather large quantities of the finest honey from these flowers.

As winter approaches mice are almost sure to infest the hives if openings sufficient are left for their entrance. Wax is a non-conductor of heat, and besides enjoying the heat generated by the bees, which answers the purpose to them of a base-burner, the honey and beebread furnishes food and the comb fine bedding.

Dairy.

The Cheese Business in the United States.

Our exports of cheese to Liverpool alone during the present fiscal year, it is estimated, will be about 130,000,000 pounds, against 23,220,000 pounds in 1855-6. Since the 1st of May the English market has been taking from New York every week from 25,000 to 120,000 boxes of cheese, all of which has been consumed at the present high prices.

In the above sections of the United States, the finest cheese is made, and Miller's factory at Constableville took the first prize, both in June 1st, 1879 and in June 1st, 1880, at the International Dairy Fair, held in London, England.

Curing Cheese.

Prof. S. M. Babcock gives the following on curing cheese: "The high flavors peculiar to the best factory cheese are only developed in a warm airy place. A curing room should, however, be kept so dry that the cheese will lose its water very rapidly, as in this case, although a high flavor must be obtained, the casein will not be thoroughly broken down, and the cheese will be hard and indigestible."

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Notice of Meeting of the State Grange.

The annual meeting of the State Grange of Kansas, will meet at Olathe, Johnson county, Tuesday, December 21st, 1880, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Farmers' Clubs.

The club, once suggestive of mere jollity, is of late years more generally a union in some thoughtful work. Name a club, and its object is asked for,—political, scientific, social, or commercial.

THE OBJECT.

Such a club limits its object to a better knowledge of farming in those details most interesting to its members. For this end, it calls out the varied experiences of a dozen or twenty men, every day busy with the things of which they talk.

After these mutual improvements in thoughtfulness are felt, it is possible for the same men to undertake direct experiment in lines already suggested by experience, or to go in search of information from sources before unthought of.

The machinery of such a body is the simplest possible. A few neighbors find their mutual interests and sympathies drawing them into confidence; and, choosing a place of meeting suitable for its convenience and comfort, they select their few officers, appoint a committee or two, provide a record book to hold their necessary articles of organization, and are fully equipped for business.

IN METHODS,

they follow the same simplicity. Meetings must be at regular intervals, for the sake of attendance without previous painstaking notice; and neither so frequent as to be burdensome, nor so infrequent as to lose the interest of succession.

free and easy conversation which best calls out truth.

If possible the records of such a club should have permanent interest; and the task of an efficient secretary should be no slight one. A device for gathering the many items which concern a single subject, so that after-reference is easy, is helpful to him.

THE RESULTS

can be easily pictured without any experience. Such interchange of thought and work must build up interest in the calling; interest in its minute details of drudgery, and zeal for a progressive farming.

But such effects are realized in scores of neighborhoods. Some of these have a wide reputation for thrift, wealth, efficiency and comfort that make them attractive to immigrants, as well as to neighbors and sons.

This coming winter, when all political contests are decided, let us inaugurate a four years' reign of peace, by organizing such clubs in all the stabler communities of the state.

Thus writes President Fairchild of the State Agricultural College, in advocacy of farmers' clubs. He believes they make up and execute a work that does not lie within the province of the grange.

We were formerly familiar with one farmers' club which exerted a marked influence on the agriculture of its neighborhood. The club was a select body of farmers, composed of not more than 15 members, of the most intelligent, enterprising men in the neighborhood.

Farmers' Alliances

Are simply booming. The election over let every tiller of the soil now rally around the standard and let the watchword be "Justice to the Farmer." Not only must the railroads be looked after but other things of vast importance demand our attention.

county seats. Make permanent county organizations, and when the legislature meets let the Alliance, the Grange and all Farmers' clubs in the state be represented in a mass convention at Topeka in such numbers as will insure due consideration of our demands.

Fellow farmers, for once let us serve due notice on all concerned that we are in earnest and determined, and then the victory will be so easy as to astonish ourselves.

PIONEER.

The Late Railroad War.

After the disastrous battle in which our western roads have been engaged, we should think that they would be disposed to join the farmer in the endeavor to induce the government to take the direct supervision of railways.

It is just as if the Wabash, Alton, Burlington and Rock Island directors had taken the money of their stockholders and thrown it into the lake, and it shows how thoroughly unreliable these railroad magnates are.

The desperate contest between the roads should serve to give a new impetus to the movement to secure congressional interference. It has portrayed the character of railroad management as no words could do—it has demonstrated it to be whimsical and so supremely selfish that it will hesitate at nothing to accomplish its ends.

My life was saved by Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Cure.—E. B. Lakely, Selma, Ala.

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Miscellaneous.

Huckleberry Culture.

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Mr. J. S. Swift, of Farmington, Maine, says he has cultivated the high blueberry in his state with unvarying success for forty years, and we have the same species in all the country along the gulf coast.

What Farmers Should Be.

As a general rule, farmers have but little spare time to read. It would be greatly to their advantage to read more than they do. They should take time to read something on all branches of farming in which they are engaged.

Fish Culture.

On January the 21st, 1876, I bought six carp of Mr. Poppe, for which I paid him \$30. One died shortly after I got them, leaving five to start with.

Now for the result. I have four small ponds, the cost of which was about \$50 each, making in all \$200 for ponds and \$30 for fish. The feed has cost, say, \$10 a year, making \$40; total \$270. I have sold \$415 worth of fish, which leaves me \$145 surplus cash, together with four small ponds and 6,000 or 8,000 carp.

In some of the Atlantic states farmers have for years been in the habit of buying calves for the purpose of making use of the late fall feed.

These calves have been fed well through the winter and in May or June they are ready to go to the butcher. They then weigh from 700 to 900 pounds and make a very saleable meat. Last summer was unusually dry in the eastern states and there is little fall food.

THE STRAY LIST.

HOW TO POST A STRAY. BY AN ACT of the Legislature, approved Feb 27, 1880, section 1, when the appraised value of a stray or strays exceeding ten dollars, the County Clerk is required, within ten days after receiving a certified description and appraisal, to forward by mail, notice containing a complete description of the strays, the day on which they were taken up, their appraised value and the residence of the taker up, to the Kansas Farmer, together with the sum of fifty cents for each animal contained in said notice.

Strays for the week ending November 10. Brown county—John E. Moon, clerk. HEIFER—Taken up by W O Bechtel, Robinson tp, one red yearling heifer, white in face, white under jaw and white belly, valued at \$11. Taken up Oct 17, 1880.

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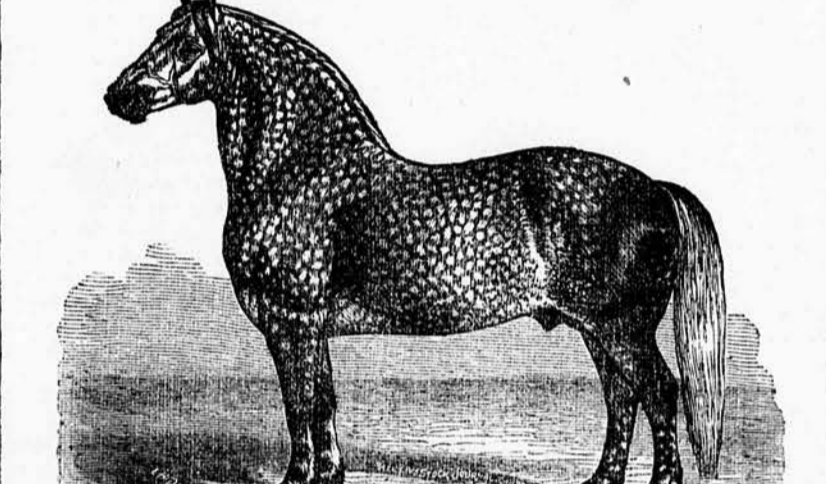
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Farm Letters.

Give the Direction and Distance.

It would be often a satisfaction to strangers, and persons in the east, if correspondents would state, in their farm letters, the distance and direction from Topeka at the point from which they write.

LARNED, Nov. 1.—I do not recollect how far west from Topeka, but in my opinion we are far enough, and I think a good many are of the same opinion, for there is scarcely a day but what some stock man arrives in our vicinity from Mexico or Colorado with his herd of sheep or cattle to settle amongst us. Here he finds plenty of grass on open ranges, and an abundance of all kinds of winter feed cheap, and a warm welcome by every one he meets. There is no bulldozing, rained (quads) to drive them out of the country, or the least objection to their settling or herding or driving where they like, except with a few one-horse farmers between Kinsley and Dodge City, who sit around growling, and appear to have nothing to do but watch their little starved patch of rice corn or frosted sorghum; to get a few dollars for damage to keep body and soul together.

The Pioneer sugar works are a complete success, not because there is anything wonderful about them, but because they have opened up the road to an enterprise that will prove immensely beneficial to the country at large. I saw some of the largest potatoes exhibited yesterday by Mr. Funk, of Pleasant Valley, that I have seen since I left California. Also a squash by another party unknown to me, that was said to weigh one hundred and twenty pounds. This we think pretty good for dry Kansas.

With our sheep men, and sugar refiners, and farmers, it is difficult to predict what southwestern Kansas will be in the near future, and we think a great many who were so fast in leaving the country, and abandoning their claims or mortgaging them for the money they could get and leaving them to the money lender, have "shot their grange," as the slang phrase goes. There was a time last spring and fore part of the summer that I felt quite lonesome and almost foolhardy, when all or nearly all my neighbors were abandoning their homes, and little else except the auctioneer's voice and rap of his old hickory cane could be heard on the streets of Larned. I did not want to see the country entirely forsaken, and I persisted in plowing and planting and sowing, cultivating and rolling, and as fast as one crop was out I put in another, and waited patiently for the change. At last it came, and Pawnee county has never yielded a better crop, nor has ever shown a better prospect for wheat, and now the market is coming to us in the shape of sheep and cattle; and the streets of Larned are fast assuming the old hurly burly appearance of two years ago, when every man had business on hand, instead of whittling the few solitary dry goods boxes and gossiping about their neighbors. It must be that every one in the county, and his neighbors, were out yesterday, or a new emigration has set in, for I have not seen so many people and teams on the street at any time in the past year and a half. Every one seemed cheerful and happy, and pleased to meet his neighbor. I think the prohibition amendment will run well here, as most all seem to be bidding farewell to the beverage without any apparent regret. W. J. C.

LEROY, Coffee Co., Oct. 9.—The forest presents an appearance of the return of fall. There is a large acreage of wheat sown this fall in this section, and a good deal of hay made since the rain, and it is pronounced very good. Stock is doing splendidly; fall feed excellent. We are complimented on having the best stock ranges of any in the state. Sheep seems to be the rage. Hogs are scarce but of a good class—principally Berkshire and Poland Chinas; some few Chester. I have introduced a Cheshire and Berkshire crossed. I have eleven head of Berkshire, April pigs, that will average 250 pounds per head. There is a very great scarcity of hogs this season, but the packers think by putting the price down they will shove what are ready on the market.

Grain of all kinds is looking more favorable for an advance in prices. I was pleased yesterday, while I was in town, to meet my friend D. C. Spurgeon, of Crooked creek, one of the thrifty farmers of our section, and what pleased me more he extended his hand with the cash for our spirited agricultural paper, the KANSAS FARMER. He says he takes five papers, but cannot do without the FARMER. In my last communication I mentioned that I would take some sheep on shares the fore part of the next week. I received a letter from a gentleman in Detroit, Michigan, in reply to my request. H. K. BALDWIN.

Owing to detention in the mail, the above letter did not reach the FARMER office for three weeks after date. CENTRALIA.—Nemaha Co., Oct. 23.—With what interest do I first read the farm letters when I first receive my paper. When I first commenced taking the FARMER they were of but little interest to me, but I have become acquainted with nearly all the correspondents, and when I have read their communications it seems to me as though I had been having a very friendly chat with them. In fact the entire paper is filled up with so much of interest to the farmer that I am surprised to find so many without it. The weather is very favorable for corn picking which is progressing nicely. Haying is all done. Pastures are poor but stock is looking

exceedingly well. Plenty of work and wages good—in fact hands are and have been all summer very scarce.

We are all rejoicing in the possession of a good crop, everything, as far as my observation has been. Corn I think is above the average; wheat, with a few exceptions; oats, potatoes, sweet potatoes and fruit of all kinds plenty, good and cheap.

Corn is worth 20c; potatoes, 50c; apples, 60c; butter 23c; fat hogs, \$3.50 per cwt; steers of all ages in good demand, fat cows selling for \$18 to \$25.

The farmers of this county have not as yet become aware of the fact that a lawyer or a banker cannot represent them in the legislative halls, but they are beginning to whisper that such is the case, and I think they will soon be bold enough to declare it on the house top in the street, and then we may look for better times. My vote shall count in favor of the constitutional amendments. A. T. SAMS.

BELLE PLAINE, Sumner Co., Nov. 8.—Since the great battle is over and the smoke and debris is cleared away, we can all turn our attention to something else.

It is quite dry in our county yet the wheat looks well and continues to grow. Our corn cribs are nearly all full of corn, which yields 25 to 50 bushels per acre, and is worth 20c. Our hog crop is large, and if the present prices, \$3.25, hold up 90 days, many of our farmers will realize a good price for a short corn crop, by feeding it to hogs.

Over 1,000 head of cattle are en route for this valley to winter. There are eight feed lots and windmills in sight of my house. The epizootic in a mild form has appeared among our horses. It stands every man in hand to house well—warm and dry—all of his horses, during the winter.

From present appearances we will have a large fruit crop next year.

Several good farms have changed hands recently at good prices, and a good class of Illinois farmers are settling in our vicinity. Every body appears happy and contented.

Our county spoke in thunder tones upon the prohibition amendment, by giving it a majority of nearly 1,200.

We are glad to see the start made early and in good earnest for a state fair in 1881. Our county organization is now completed. We will hold our fair one week prior to the state fair, thus enabling us to make a good showing at the state fair. H. C. ST. CLAIR.

McPHERSON, McPherson Co., Oct. 24.—EDITOR EARMER: I wish you would inform me where I can get the amber cane seed and the price, if you please. THOMAS H. DUNCAN.

[Trumbull, Reynolds & Allen, Kansas City, Mo., or S. H. Downs, of this city, can furnish cane seed.—Ed.]

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