

THE FARM.

Mixed Ration for Milk.

The relative values of corn, oats and bran to each other for milk production cannot be well stated; it would depend upon the quality of hay, straw, cornstalks or other forage fed with them.

One quart Indian meal to two quarts oat meal and two quarts wheat bran. The grain of the two former may be mixed at the rate of one of corn to two of oats and ground together, and then two quarts of bran be added to every three quarts of this provender.

In feeding meal it is much better to mix with hay cut up short in a straw-cutting; a half bushel of this to every five or six quarts of the mixture of meals and bran.

In chopped cornstalks, of large growth, the only part of them of any value is the leaves and the stalk cut off above the ear. The stalk below the ear is little more nutritious than so much wood or sawdust.

Stock Notes.

It will not hurt to have lime upon lime and precept upon precept concerning a supply of pure water for farm animals. In some parts but few creeks afford decent water, being mostly filled, not by springs, but by the water which rushes from the land, full of varied impurity, after each rain, and soon recedes into stagnant pools to become less foul.

I find that the most progressive veterinarians do not sling animals with broken limbs, much less do they give such animals up to die. An animal with a broken limb will not put any weight on that limb, hence there is really no need of swinging it off the ground; and it is more at ease standing on three legs than suspended by bands across its belly.

Mid-Ocean Harbors of Refuge.

The loss of the Oregon has alarmed the thousands of rich people who yearly cross the Atlantic, for the fact has come to light that none of the large ocean steamers carry boats enough to save more than one-third of the passengers. There were nearly nine hundred persons on board the Oregon, but only boats enough for three hundred and fifty; and yet that ill-fated vessel was better furnished than the great majority of ocean carriers.

YOUNG FOLKS.

Hal's Misfortune.

"Have you plied your wood, Hal?" "No, not yet; but I'm just going to." "Picked up your apples?" "No; they were 'tike long."

"Father said we were to do our chores early, you know?" "Yes, I'm just going to." But Hal kept on trying to make Carlo sit upright and hold a pipe in his mouth.

"All done boys?" "Yes, sir, said Hal's brothers promptly." "Well—almost," said Hal.

"The General and his staff, with a detachment of soldiers, are going to pass along the Winburg road this morning: I thought if you had all finished your work we might walk over there and see them. Hurry, then! there will be no time to lose."

"Hurrah! what a fello!" The boys whose work was done ran to get ready. Hal knew better than to leave his work undone, for his father, with all his indulgence, was strict, and Hal had had enough disappointments through his heedless, dawdling habits to have taught him better.

"I'll help you," said little Tom, kindly, as he made a rush to pick up the apples. They were soon gathered, but in poor order, and then Hal insisted on Tom's leaving him and going with the others.

"I'll catch you," he said. "I'll ride the pony and go 'cross lots." He plied the wood, but so badly, in his hurry, that it fell down and had to be done over. Then, out of breath and fearing he would entirely lose the fine sight, he threw himself, coatless, hatless and shoeless, upon the pony's bare back and rode quickly across the fields.

"I won't go around by the bridge," he said to himself. "I'll go by farmer Allen's ford; it'll shorten the way a great deal." But as he came to the brook he saw that it was so much swollen by late rains that he felt a little doubtful about the wisdom of trying to cross, and wished he had gone around by the bridge.

"But it's too late now," he said. If I don't hurry up I shan't see a thing." He dashed in and urged the pony on.

"Hello, there!" cried a man's voice. "Don't you try to cross; it's too deep. Look out now! there's a big hole right ahead of you; if you get in it's ten to one you'll never get out."

"Hal reined back his pony, which was already floundering about as if in great doubt of his footing. From farther down the bank Farmer Allen came on his own horse, picking his way along the shallower places and growling at the folly and stupidity of boys.

"There!" he grumbled as he at last seized the pony and turned him the other way. "The next time you come foolin' round in deep water I'll leave you to get out as best you can—see if I don't!"

In a very crestfallen spirit poor Hal turned the other way.

"If only the General's a little after time," he said, "perhaps I'll be there soon enough yet. I do believe I hear the drum and file now. Get up, Pony!"

Pony did his best, but alas! when Hal at last reached his brother, whom he found in a state of delighted excitement, he could only catch a faint glimpse of nodding plumes over a cloud of dust in the far distance.

"Oh, if you had only been here. We cheered and waved our hats." And the General took off his hat to us.

"And I'm going to be a General myself some day," added Tom. "Such a horse as he had—and a sword!"

"Always late, poor Hal!" said his father, looking pitifully at his boy's rueful face.

"When I'm a General," said Hal pettishly, "I'll take my own time to do things, and not always have to be hurrying."

"If you are ever a general or any other great man, my boy, you will find it your first need to be prompt and diligent in all you do. But be sure that no one who is a trifler and a laggard as a boy will ever be a great man or a good one, which is far better. A soldier of Christ must always be up and about his Master's business. If you ever expect to do Him good and loyal service, Hal, you must make your first fight against the faults that beset you now. When you reach home go to your room and learn this verse:

"Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit, serving the Lord."

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THE HOUSEHOLD.

How to Iron Cuffs and Collars.

Have ready some ironing-hot, early just not to scorch. And let there be enough iron not to have to wait for a second when the first is cool. These must be very clean and with a good polish. To insure the latter have a piece of beeswax, and when the iron is taken off the fire rub it over the beeswax, and then rub the iron on some crushed salt and it will run smoothly.

Mirabeau is stated to have been an enormous feeder, eating as much as a meal as would suffice three ordinary men. Talleyrand was also a noted gourmand. Goethe and Napoleon ate large quantities of food, but cared little for the quality. Prince Bismarck is noted for his appetite, which is insatiable; but his food is of the simplest quality.

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Man of Genius as Gourmand.

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