

ON THE FARM

FALL CARE OF COWS.

We are nearing the time when the cows will begin to go into the stable nights writes a correspondent. With some of us this will be the frosty, and with others who have comfortable sheds, it may be a little later. There is a tendency on the part of many who are otherwise good farmers to postpone the day as long as possible. We drag the work of cleaning stables, and the task of keeping the cows clean is more or less burdensome to us. But more and more we are coming to see that the success which the season's work depends upon how the year rounds up. The late fall milk is the richest of any of the season, and if we can keep up the supply we will add considerably to the profits of our work during the year.

It is some work to keep a lot of cows clean in the stable. No one will deny that. But, the farmer who gives anything for the real comfort of his herd will willingly do all in his power to make them as neat as possible. Here are some of the things he will do:

First, he will have the platform on which his cows stand slant back slightly. Not too much, for that would tire and perhaps permanently injure the cows that must stand upon it such a large part of the time. He will see to it that the long cows stand where the platform is longest and the short ones on the shorter planks. He will do his best to have the stanchions which keep the cows from creeping up at times when they are apt to foul their sleeping place. He will provide some kind of litter in the floor for the cows to lie on. This may be straw, if he has it to spare. There is nothing better for the bedding than clean straw. Some have a way of putting the horse manure under their cows for bedding. This surely must give the cows an pleasant smell and more or less than the milk.

If horse manure is used at all, it should be in the gutter behind the cattle to absorb the liquid manure. This is a most essential thing for the man who lets this part of his barnyard fertilizer drip through a hole bored in the stable floor, in that way deliberately robs himself. There are not so many of us can afford to do this, and it would scare us if we knew what losses we incur every year through that hole in the stable floor.

But bedding and littering the gutter is not all that needs to be done to insure neat cattle. Those remaining the most particular work will be the man who would keep his cows clean will have a good scrubbing and brush and keep them in the stable within handy reach at any time, and he will use them too.

The Baron said he was highly delighted to find that his efforts while traveling abroad to invite the investment of capital in Japan, were bearing fruit in the present co-operation of foreign capitalists. He believed they would aid in the extensive field of activity in this part of the world, and especially in Corea. When admitting that Japan was heavily in debt as a result of the war, the Baron said he believed that adequate efforts on the part of the business men of Japan would open a way to increasing the wealth of the empire.

MORE C. P. R. ENGINES.

Works in Montreal

Gross Contract

For Thirty-five.

A dispatch from Montreal says: The Locomotive and Machine Company, of Montreal, announced on Wednesday that they had closed a contract with the Canadian Pacific Railway for 36 ten-wheeled freight locomotives, known as Pacific "700" class.

The locomotives duplicates of the 30 of the same style recently built by the Locomotive and Machine Company for the Canadian Pacific Rail-

way.

DAIRY NOTES.

A cow in any way worried, will not give her best.

To run a cow to pasture is throwing money away.

Neither feeder will not cure defects in grain or flavor.

Nothing goes in the milk that has not gone into the mouth.

Motherhood in its development is the object sought in the profitable dairy cow.

So far as possible discard all cows develop objectionable habits naturally.

It is always the case that sweet cream poured into that which is sour does not all churn.

While a good milker must be a good feeder by no means follows that a good feeder is a good milker. A heifer is valuable in proportion to the feed required by her to make a pound of butter.

Above the food of production that goes to milk, a cow demands food of support in proportion to size, and was attended by Ministers of State. It is expected that after the Emperor formally ratifies the treaty he will command Admiral Togo to bring the combined Japanese fleets to Tokio Bay, where it is planned to hold an imperial review, some 200 warships to take part. Togo will take this opportunity for a triumphal return to the capital.

There is no more important factor in producing good butter than that of the temperature.

With brine salting when properly done, all of the washing required is to put in proper shape for market.

Both quality and quantity must be taken into consideration when the value of a dairy cow is estimated.

The age of the cream and its uniformity of ripeness has a great deal to do with the effectiveness of separation by the churn.

The size of the fat globules is dependent upon the breed of the cow and the length of the time she has been in milk.

If sweet cream is mixed with well ripened sour cream the latter separates first and washes the uncurdled sweet cream into the buttermilk.

Poor milkers never have milk fever, to which give milk or get up a fever.

Butter properly worked with brine and closely packed and kept away from the air is the finest keeping butter in the world.

The natural falling off in the flow of milk during the lactation period in a modern dairy has been found by various observers to be about six per cent per month, and the maximum in New York is about 10 per cent.

the production of fat about 7 per cent per month. During the last couple of months of the period a somewhat more rapid falling off takes place.

BUTTER FLAVOR.

The flavor of butter is due to soluble fats. These vary somewhat at different times, due to the period of lactation, the feeding of dry feeds, etc. As the lactation period advances, the soluble fats decrease. They also decrease when the cows are given dry feeds or feeds rich in protein.

On the other hand, subsequent feeds increase the soluble fats, and also feeds rich in carbohydrates. However, it would not do to feed much corn which is rich in carbohydrates, for the sake of increasing the flavor of the butter, for it would decrease the amount of butterfat unless well balanced by some protein.

Butter has its highest flavor in June and July. The silage fed herd also produces a butter of good flavor. The feed is succulent and also contains the desirable carbohydrates.

SMALLER OUTPUT OF GOLD.

Dry Summer Has Interfered With Mining Operations.

A dispatch from Ottawa says: Mr. Joseph Keeler, of the Geological Survey, returned to the city on Thursday from the Yukon. Mr. Keeler worked in a practically unknown district about 400 miles up the Stewart River. The country in that section was rough and mountainous, and was peopled by only a few trap-ers and traders, with whom the Indians of the Mackenzie trade. There were indications of good deposits of iron, galena, coal, copper, and gold; specimens of which Mr. Keeler brought home.

Mr. Keeler said that the yield of gold in the Yukon this year would be less than last season, the reason for this was the unusual dryness of the summer. Another interesting interferring with the yield was the passing of many mines into the hands of larger companies with bigger outfits. When however, these companies get down to business the output would be much larger, as their equipment would enable them to work low-grade mines. Mr. Keeler saw no signs of exhaustion in the Yukon, and thought it would become a permanent mining camp.

JAPAN'S FUTURE.

Invitation to Foreign Capital Being Given to Bear Fruit.

A dispatch from Tokyo says: Baron Shibusawa, addressing the Associated Chambers of Commerce, said the development of trade communications and carrying power was of the greatest importance to Japan. He criticized the ultra-pessimistic view taken of Japan's future, and said he was confident of greater development of Japan's resources and those of Korea.

He will explain the method to Dr. Bering, who discovered the serum treatment for diphtheria, and who is one of the most famous of the Pasteur Institute experts, informs the Matrix that he intends to proclaim next August a method of curing tuberculosis which he has discovered.

He says that the method involves the method of serum nor vaccine, but a curative remedy. He will hold the organization of a blind regiment here. The Minister of Militia promised favorable consideration to this case of diphtheria, according to him.

He will explain the method to Dr. Bering and Montebello and leave the application of it to medical practitioners without revealing the nature of the remedy, because he thinks he has the right to reserve temporarily the profits of the discovery to enable him to prosecute other researches.

Prof. Bering added: "From this time onward the victims of tuberculosis may again hope for a cure."

EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS.

Russia Will Hand Over 1,866 and Japan 64,000.

A St. Petersburg dispatch says: Russia on Wednesday agreed to exchange prisoners of war whereby 1,866 Russian prisoners in Russia will be delivered to the Japanese on the western front of Russia, and 64,000 Russians will be delivered at the ports of Kobe, Nagasaki and Yokohama, whence they will be conveyed to Vladivostok in ten Russian transports now interned at Shanghai and Saigon, and two or three other ships which are being sent from Odessa.

The American Charge d'Affaires is endeavoring to make special and more speed arrangements for the release of 250 sick Japanese, whom he hoped Japan may soon ship direct to the Baltic.

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PEACE TREATY ENDORSED.

At a Meeting of the Japanese Privy Council.

A dispatch from Tokyo says: The Privy Council met on Wednesday afternoon, and after a long discussion endorsed the treaty of peace which was signed at Portsmouth. Marquis Ito presided. The meeting took place in the presence of the Emperor, and was attended by Ministers of State. It is expected that after the Emperor formally ratifies the treaty he will command Admiral Togo to bring the combined Japanese fleets to Tokio Bay, where it is planned to hold an imperial review, some 200 warships to take part. Togo will take this opportunity for a triumphal return to the capital.

WILL BREAK TRADITION.

Innovation on the New British Battleship Dreadnaught.

A dispatch from London says: According to the Express, the battleship Dreadnaught, building at Portsmouth, will break naval tradition by having the officers' quarters in the fore part of the vessel and the seamen's quarters astern. The innovation, it is stated, is due to the necessity for furnishing accommodation for a crew of 900 men and extraordinary allowances of ammunition, coal, and provisions. The Dreadnaught will be the largest battleship in the world.

BRANCHES IN AMERICA.

One Result of the Insurance Reversals in New York.

A dispatch from Berlin says: It is stated here that the leading English French and German insurance companies are planning to establish branches in the United States to a woman to act as travelling companion for children and then robbed the applicants for the position.

JAPAN'S LEGACY OF WAR.

Interest on Debt Will Be Seventy-five Millions.

A Tokio despatch says: Former Foreign Minister Okuma, leader of the progressive party, before the associated Chambers of Commerce, referring to the sudden expansion of Japanese finances said that when the withdrawal of troops is completed she will find herself confronted with a debt of \$1,250,000,000, the interest on which alone, speaking, will be \$75,000,000, or nearly twice the revenue of the country ten years ago. The per capita rate of taxation before the war was \$2. Now it is \$6. The per capita share in the national debt after the war was \$6. It is now \$25. Count Okuma, however, was not pessimistic. He referred eloquently to the necessity of business men reviving their energy in the development of productive works of all kinds and thus securing victories in peace as well as in war.

CONTRACT LET.

500 Miles of Transcontinental to be Started at Once.

A Montreal despatch says: The contract for the construction of the complete road, ready for the track and rails, on the Lake Superior branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway from Fort William to Lake Superior Junction, about 210 miles west of Mr. Frank W. Morse, vice-president and general manager, of Winnipeg. This firm is considered one of the most successful and experienced in railway construction on this continent.

The awarding of this contract

is to be made in about 1,000 miles of the Grand Trunk Pacific will be under contract by Nov. 30. It is stipulated that this branch will be completed so

in the spring of 1908.

A Montreal despatch says: The

contract received credence. Re-

turning to the wine with other of

the officers, he showed how, in testing

the contents of one of the carboys

he had seen a snake through the

wine, and so the vessel was opened

for inspection.

To the astonishment of all,

the remains of several

snakes and a lizard were found

in the bottom dressed in a manner

to indicate that they had been placed

there for a purpose.

The snakes taken to the City Hall and the Chlef Food Inspector drew a sample of wine to test its properties.

The consignment was addressed to a local Chinese merchant, and when an inquiry was made about the snakes all that could be learned from that source was: "Muches good; cure sole headache; got leprosy, eat some

snakes."

Two thousand more of the

rifles have been delivered at the

Militia Department within the past

few days, of the 12,000 for which

the contract was awarded.

Mr. J. W. Leonard, Superintendent of Construction on the Toronto-Sudbury branch of the C. P. R., has

been appointed Assistant General Manager of lines east of Fort William.

Whalen & Bowman of the Great Lakes Dredging Company, have

chosen a site on Island No. 21

Fort William for building a dry-dock railway, foundry and machine shop.

The Dominion Government has

decided not to interfere with the

British Columbia statute imposing

a tax of \$50 on commercial travel

within the Province, from which

the principle is the same.

SENSELESS SUGGESTIONS.

To pour drops from a bottle moisten the edge.

Milk used instead of water makes puddings and pastry light.

When baking cakes place a layer of salt under the mold. This prevents burning.

If sherbet is used instead of baking powder when making muffins, seed or other plain cakes, they will be much lighter and of a delicious flavor.

After washing the hair let it hang down the back for a few hours at least.

It is a bad plan to wash it at night, as sleeping plucks the hair together tightly too soon after the shampoo.

"Poverty cake." Mix one

cupful of raisins, half a cupful of butter, one cupful of sugar, one

cupful of flour, one spoonful of carbonate of soda, one egg, a little nutmeg, cinnamon and ground cloves. Bake in a flat pan for half an hour.

Sick people don't like to be stared at—they are morbidly sensitive, and don't stand at the back of the bed to make him turn his eyes round to see you. Always sit at the bedside for the patient feels more at rest than if you stand up tall before him, whisper, and don't follow the doctor or a caller into the next room; the invalid will be absolutely certain that you are discussing him.

As any schoolgirl can testify, it is a species of high art to make really good gingerbread, even for successful judges. If the final test has been made and the syrup has been added to the "soft ball" stage, then gently incorporate; and if then the whole mass is turned upon a marble slab and swiftly turned back and forth with a griddle cake turner until it is cool, the desired consistency will never fail.

FOOD FOR INVALIDS.

A Paris despatch says: At the Tuberculosis Congress on Wednesday Prof. Grancher, one of the leading French authorities, declared that consumption was the most easily curable of diseases if taken in time. It was a mistake, he said, to wait until the presence of the bacillus was established. Immediately a physician discovered a permanent abnormal sound localized at the top of the lung when the patient drew both breaths, he should diagnose the trouble as tuberculosis. Sounding was the best and simplest test. It was far superior to radioscopic examination, in which he had little confidence.

EASIEST