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LONG-KEEP STEERS

four pound- each per day. An increase in the amount of meal should be made gradually, and the extent to which it should be increased after the roint just mentioned w.lt depend upon the condition of the steers. As a rule, reason bly good longkeep steers can be finished for market by feeding, on an average, about ha!f a pound of meal per day for every loo pounds of their live weight. That is to say, if the average live weight of a steer for the whole feeding period is 1,200 pounds, the amount of meal required to per day. Of course, towards the close of where corn can be grown. with success. the feeding period, it may be necessary must ever bear in mind that meal is the supply of very good seed. expensive part of the ration, and that the profits depend very largely upon the ski'l two general guides which s..ould never be lost sight of m fattening cattle. SHORT-KEEP STEERS.

The same general principles apply in the case of short keep steers as in the case of long-keep, with the exception that, since the short keep steers are to be fini-hed in three or four mouths, it is necessary to increase the meal ration more rapidly. Even in this case, it is easy to injuse the steers yery seriously by feeding too heavy a meal ration at the start. Three or four pounds of meal per day is a heavy enough ration is a fact, however, that a great deal of meal is wasted through over-feeding, and creatures, and if he would feed to the best advantage, he musl study his animals and strive to accommodate his methods to their individual requirements.

The question of weight must never be lost sight of in feeding meal. Many men lost sight of, the feeder will be surprised to find, after all, how little difference there is in the feeding value of different kinds of meal. The man with good judgment will get good results from almost

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knowledge nor special apparatus. Satis- is very suitable for that profitable crop. factory material is to be found in every factory material is to be found in every Ducks, goese and chickens are there farm home, for making germination tests by the millions, in other words it is a of practically any kind of seed used on the farm. The simplest and most convenient way to test a seed of corn and ful in the streams and lakes. other cereal grains and most of the root crop and larger yegetable seeds is to place every desirable variety of pastry.

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available, a brick will answer the purpose a. well. In germinating seeds in au earthen sancer they may be exposed to the light, but not to the direct rays of the

The Outlook for Seed Corn.

Get in the Ear if Possible.

The difficulty of getting reliable seed erent, and therefore the suggestions which corn of desirable type- and varieties durfollow are offered under two different bug the last two years make the question of reliable seed for 1905 of more than ordinary interest A survey of the available supply of northern grown seed Long-keep steers are all the better to of this important fodder crop indicates receive practically no meal during the that the difficulties of getting good seed first mouth they are in the stable, or at | will be even greater this year than during the most, merely a sprinkling of meal on the two previous years. I've best vartheir other food-, say, between one and liettes for fodder or ensuage purposes, are twe pounds perday. Thus they become undoubtly of the "Fint' type. In the accusto meal, and the quantity may latitude of Ottawa only a few special be gradually increased nutil, by the end of strains of the "Deut" yarieti-s give good second month, they may reach as nigh as results for ensulage in the average year.

Unfortunately for progress in corn ra sing in Canada our supplies of see. have been drawn largely from the country to the south and have been of type- and varieties that required a longer season to mature than is affor lad here. The Cuiadian seed growers' association ha taken up in a busines -like way the matter of creating a supply of reliable seed corn, an ! it may be said that the future promi e. well for a permanent basis of supply of a high-class article and varieties that are excepti nally well suited for ensilage and iatten him will average about 6 pounds fodder purposes in all parts of Canada

to increase the meal ration to nearly a The severe frost during the early part of pound per day per 100 pounds of live last autumn rendered the butk of the coru weight, but since the ration was extreme- crop in Ontarie absolutely useless for the ly small at the beginning, and was very purpose of seed. A belt about a mile in gradually increased, the average daily width along the northern shore of Lake ration will not exceed, to any considerable | Erie was affected only slightly, and from extent, the quantity stated. The feeder some sections in this district there is a

The cost of the small quantity of seed coru that is required to plant an acre, in with which this important factor in fat- comparison with cost for labour in culttening is handled. Light meal rations to ivating and handling and the ultimate start with, and very gradual increases, are | value per acre of a good crop, would seem to make it clear that the best available seed of the most satisfactory type and variety should be obtained at any reasonable cost. It would be much better for Canadian farmers It they were ab e to obtain their supplies of seed corn in the ear; they would then have a fair idea of what they were getting. The average vitality of seed corn, tested in the seed Laboratory last year was, for corn received in the ear, 95 per cent, and for

shelted corn, 68 per cent. It is much to be recommended then that, wherever possible, farmers obtain with which to start, and the increase their supplies of seed corn in the ear only. should be gradual. In the course of a To meet the demand for seed corn in this month they may be nearly to their condition growers would do well to adopt limit, though just what the limit may be the style of shipping crate that is used depend- upon circumstances. There are for this purpose in the states of lowa and successful feeders who seldom exceed half | Illinois. This crate is two feet nine inches a pound of meal per day per hundred long, one foot wide, and one took deep, Table oil-cloth, 1 and 2 yds wide ... . 25c a square y pounds live weight of the stoers. Then and is made of half inch lumber three table oil-cloth, 45 in wide, white a colored .. 25c y it is required to have the steers fluished inches in width. Its capacity is one by a certain time, it may be necessary bushel, or between one hundred and one to crowd a little, but when the meal hundred and twenty ears. If the corn ration approaches a lb per day per bun-dred lbs live weight, it is becoming hold sufficient seed for five acres. While very expensive. The amount of meal it is true that there may be some additional will also be influenced by the character | cost for freight, on account of the weight of the bulky fodders used. If straw and of the cob and of the crate, and that extra chaff are fed, more meal will be neces. | work is required in shelling the corn. these sary than when good hay is used, so become insignificant when the difference that the qualitity of meal must be left in value between an acre of good matured largely to the judgment of the feeder. It corn and an acre of unsatisfactory crop is

#### To Prospective Settlers.

A recent issue of the Western Globe published at Lacombe, Alberta, gives opened up by the extension of the La-combe branch of the C. P. R. It is a solendid ranching and mixed farming district, and in answer to many inquiries it gives information which may be use-

"The country we have reference to ures, instead of by equal weights. A starts about forty-five miles east of wards Prompt attention and every feeding the lighter classes of mest, the and ranching. The soil is a black loam facility afforded customers living at bulk should be increased as compared of from I feet to 2 feet deep, with a with neavier kinds. If this point is not clay subsoil, it is principally prairie land, some places quite level, others rolling, there is some small timber along the creeks and lakes, but there is no heavy timber after you leave Battle River. The banks of the small streams ment will get good results from almost are nearly all overhung with large seams of a good grade of coal, which can be must see to it that it is palatable, that the mined by the settlers by their paying it is mixed in such a way as to be digestible, and that the guide as to quantity is
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a Royality of ten cents per ton, or the
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