

**STRIPPINGS.**

BY M. L. MATTERSON.

Don't be afraid of hot water in cleansing all dairy utensils.

The strippings contain the most cream, therefore save all the milk.

James Cheesman of Canada says: "No dairy can be worked without a thermometer."

If you haven't a good barn for the cows next winter better begin providing for one now. It will pay you.

If you are just coming out even financially a separator will save enough more cream to give you a profit.

Dairying, like every thing else nowadays, is progressive, and to be successful a dairyman must be progressive.

The strippings (short paragraphs) in our farm papers are often richest in cream (practical thoughts), therefore read by all.

Nothing pays better than to do well that which we do. With this thought in mind we may meet with success in the dairy.

Cows, like people, are apt to play "tit for tat," so be sure your "tats" are of a kindly nature, and thus avoid ugly cows.

Strain the milk as soon as possible after milking and thus save cream and avoid dirt which may chance to get into it dissolving as much as possible.

It was a happy day for stock growers when it was discovered that a "registered and pedigreed" animal might still be a scrub.—Farm, Stock and Home.

After washing the churn and worker they should be sprinkled with salt. It keeps the wood from shrinking and warping and also prevents the butter from sticking to the surface the next time they are used.—Farm Students' Review.

**BUTTER IN ALASKA.**

W. J. Beggs, one of Seattle's leading dealers in dairy products, informs us that the principal supply of butter for Alaska comes from California. The transportation and supply companies that control the Alaskan trade go to the San Francisco wholesalers and get them to make bids in April to furnish dairy butter in quantities of 25,000 to 30,000 pounds, and as the price at that season is very low they drive a bargain that is way below what

they could do on the Sound. Their best dairy butter compares favorably with the average creamery butter. The dairy interests of Washington have not yet reached a point where such immense quantities can be got together, and therefore it is impossible to satisfy the demands of these large trading concerns; but it will not be long before we will.

There is as much or more difference between individual animals of the same breed there is between the average or typical animals of all the dairy breeds. A good cow is a good cow, no matter what breed she belongs to; and if she is a poor one, the name of the breed won't give her a single redeeming quality that is not imaginative.

It is with pleasure that we introduce to our readers a new writer, Mr. M. L. Matterson, as a regular contributor, whose matter has been given the unique and original head of "Strippings." Like Mrs. Lee's "Buzzings" in our bee department, this is to be a regular feature of our paper.

Mr. Beggs says that he thinks a most wonderful improvement has taken place in dairy methods in this state in the last five years. It was not so very long ago that Washington creamery butter was a curiosity on the market, while today it is commanding the trade, not only of home but of foreign nations.

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