

FARM AND ORCHARD

The Improvement of Stock by Careful Selection.

Hilling Potatoes—Drying in the Shell—Rhubarb—Eggs in Spring and Summer—Poultry Notes.

Much time and labor may be wasted by farmers who attempt to improve their stock by selection, but without recourse to some well-known breed.

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Experiments made by us, 20 years ago and more, showed that the common and almost universal practice of drawing the earth up in small hills around potato plants was attended with considerable loss.

By hilling the plants, the earth must be scraped or plowed away from these spaces, and the horizontal roots cut off or laid bare.

The North American Agriculturist makes public the following: A prominent breeder of Border Leicester was pointing out the shearlings he was preparing for the coming season.

The knowledge that has proved so valuable in Mr. Cameron's case may prove equally valuable to other stockmasters throughout the country.

When chicks die in the shells there is a loss of both eggs and chicks. When eggs from immature pullets are used, or eggs from hatched stock, or from stock in which the male or the hens are lacking in some essential, there will be loss of eggs during incubation.

When too much moisture is given the chick grows more than it should, and becomes too large to remain in the egg and not sufficiently developed to come out.

will be found that all are not equally successful in hatching. Some will hatch every egg while others will bring off but a few chicks.

A DOZEN STOOLES OF RHUBARB. Rhubarb, pipe or sauce is not to be objected to, coming in the season of the earliest of crops for the American pie.

The spring is the natural period when hens lay, if they are well so, and those that do not lay are not in proper condition, being perhaps, as is usual in a majority of cases, overfed and fat, which tends to determine the egg production than any other cause.

Young chickens that are just beginning to run about should be fed regularly every day. If the eggshells are fed to the poultry, care should be taken to crush them thoroughly before feeding.

When desired to fatten rapidly there is nothing that will equal good corn meal, which should be given all that they will eat up.

In shipping young poultry at this time see that they are well watered and fed before cooping, and do not crowd too many into the coops.

As there are no two farms alike it is a mistake to attempt to follow the practice of one neighbor, or to compare the advantages and disadvantages of your farm with his.

The most practical method of putting up a family supply of eggs for winter use is to take a box of suitable size and fasten the top with a layer of salt and a layer of paper.

Keep the young turkeys dry, as dampness is fatal to them. Look for lice every day. One large louse on the head of a young turkey will kill it.

EVEN ALL ROUND.

Sacramento Makes a Stand-Off With San Jose.

And Oakland Does the Same With San Francisco—Yesterday's Games of Ball.

SAN JOSE, May 10.—The weather was fine, and 3,000 people were at the ball grounds. The first game was called at 10 o'clock, and was a pretty contest.

Francis pitched four innings and retired, Hoffman taking his place. He gave out toward the end of the contest and threw a straight ball, and was pounded unmercifully.

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Oakland Gets the Morning Game, and San Francisco the Other. SAN FRANCISCO, May 10.—A glance at the error column in the score of the morning game at Emeryville will show why San Francisco lost.

In the afternoon game San Francisco had an easy victory. Cobb pitched a grand game, shutting out the Oakland club without a base hit or run.

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WILKESDALE.

STANDARD No. 1,441.—WILKESDALE is a dark bay, 16 hands high, bred at High Farm, Mass. He very closely resembles his sire, Alcantara, 225, who has the honor of having added more trotters to the 2,300 list than any other sire in the world.

DON MARVIN. Five-year-old record, 2:28. Standard by stallion was bred by Hon. Leitch Stanger, Palo Alto, Cal. He was bred by Falls, 2:23; 2:20; he by Sultan, 2:24 sire of Stamboul, 2:20; he by Sultan, 2:24 sire of Stamboul, 2:20; he by Sultan, 2:24 sire of Stamboul, 2:20.

KAFFIR. Standard No. 15,045.—Kaffir is a rich bay, bred by L. J. Rose, Esq., Los Angeles, Cal.; 157 hands high, bred at High Farm, Mass. He very closely resembles his sire, Alcantara, 225, who has the honor of having added more trotters to the 2,300 list than any other sire in the world.

ROSS S. STANDARD RECORD, 2:25. (BY NUMBERS) Ross is a dark bay, bred by L. J. Rose, Esq., Los Angeles, Cal.; 157 hands high, bred at High Farm, Mass. He very closely resembles his sire, Alcantara, 225, who has the honor of having added more trotters to the 2,300 list than any other sire in the world.

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STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Table showing the standing of the four California League clubs: Oakland, Sacramento, San Francisco, and San Jose.

CLUBS. Oakland, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Jose. Games Lost: 20 13 12 9 54.

SALE OF GALT PROPERTY. One of the largest transactions and sale of Galt property, says the Gazette, including two live stock stables, a butcher shop and saloon (known as the Fugitt building), the old butcher shop property next to the Congregational Church, together with a slaughter house and a small pasturage.

Like Old Times. Colonel Cummings of the American River Land and Timber Company, started a "jack train" for Mosquito Lake camp early last week.

Wakeman's Wanderings. Book Record has this to say of Edgar L. Wakeman, whose letters are published every week in the STRAIGHT UNION.

Fish Not Biting in Donner Lake. Albert Johnson was down from Donner Lake, says the Truckee Republican, and says that the trout are not taking a hook at all.

Harbingers of Spring. The editor of the Homer Index discloses a skeleton in the following manner: "Now that the snow is melting, we can get an idea of what the people live on during the winter."

Weight in Sewage. The city of Worcester, Mass., has probably the best arrangement for an economical disposition of city sewage of any other city of the world.

Terra Cotta Lumber. Near Melbourne, Australia, is a factory of terra cotta lumber from clay and hard wood sawdust.

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