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A check recently made, which in addition to striking the house, halves and kills the time in any other city, but at the same time is too expensive to purchase, the best way to obtain this information is from Hoeber's Almanac for 1922. It also contains many amusing anecdotes, statistics and general information that will interest you. It can be obtained from any drugist for a few cents.

**Accounting for It.**  
Blanche—it isn't easy to find anything new in wedding presents.  
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**Some men can always see great profit in other people's business.** Then they go in, and lose money.—Acheson Globe.

## AN OPEN LETTER

Address to Women by the Treasurer of the W. C. T. U. of Kansas City, Mrs. E. C. Smith.

**"MY DEAR SISTERS**—I believe in advocating and upholding everything that will lift up and help women, and but little use appears all knowledge and learning if you have not the health to enjoy it.



**MRS. E. C. SMITH.**  
Having found by personal experience that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a medicine of rare virtue, and having seen dozens of others where my suffering sisters have been dragged back to life and usefulness from an untimely grave, I am glad to see a few bottles of this Compound, I name, available to the virtuous, or I should not be doing my duty to suffering mothers and dragged-out housekeepers.

**Dear Sister,** is your health poor, do you feel worn out and need up, especially do you have any of the troubles which beset our sex, take my advice; let the doctors alone, try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; it is better than any and all doctors, for it cures and they do not.—Mrs. E. C. SMITH, 1212 Oak St., Treasurer W. C. T. U., Kansas City, Mo.—80000 people if you testimonial is not enough.

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- ...Brotherhood True—Wink.
- ...Love and Friendship—Wink.
- ...My Beauty—Wink.
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"One reason why boys bring home so little game is because they use loose paper for wadding. Try WINCHESTER, properly loaded, and you will do better shooting than ever before."

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## AGRICULTURAL HINTS.

### SIMPLE SMOKEHOUSE.

**A Novel Affair Which Does Its Work Well and Harbors No Danger Whatever.**

A good smokehouse on any farm is a desirable thing to have, the great difference between the price of home grown pork and store bacon making it a paying job for every farmer to smoke his own meat, and especially for home consumption. It is too expensive, however, to have a well-arranged smokehouse, as generally constructed, in all cases, and hence the reason for presenting the novel affair: shown in the accompanying illustration.

As can be seen, it consists of a box of such a size as is desired, only it should be four feet high, and is usually more convenient if three by five feet square. The meat is inserted through the door in the side, which should be no less than 20 inches wide, and hinged at the lower part so as to let down from the top. Hooks should be fastened to it, and staples driven into the sides and top of the box, as indicated in the cut, to hold the door in place when closed.

For hanging the meat, bore holes through the top of the box and far enough apart so that the pieces will not touch when hung. Pieces of wire work best for the purpose, one end of which having been run through the meat should be twisted together with the other so as to form a loop, and this inserted up through the auger hole, where a stick then pushed through the loop will hold the ham secure.

The device should be built on sloping ground, provided such is available, for then the fire that is to furnish the smoke can be placed at the proper distance from the box and yet have the smoke readily conducted to it by means of several joints of old stovepipe. The hole for the fireplace should be about two feet deep and at least six feet away from the box. The trench for the stovepipe should not be over one-half as deep, and dug so that the upper end of the stovepipe will come out under the box near the center; an old elbow joint makes this very easy to do. The pipe, of course, should be covered with the

loose dirt thrown out and the sides of the box banked up with earth, its cracks being calked as much as possible; for notwithstanding all the precautions enough smoke will still escape to insure the necessary amount of draught.

When the affair is completed and the hams are all hung a fire should be kindled in an old kettle or pan, or a lower behind your back. A woman admires a fire that will chat more than a monkey that will chatter for her peanuts.

"The wink is not known in Senegal; we do not blink at the sun or at each other. What we see, we see. What, we see; what we see, other countries can wink at."

"Fifty-five wives are like a long journey. When the traveler wears he can rest by the wayside in the moonlight."

"The less clothes a wife wears the more she has hidden in her head; if she would keep it from you. Clothes are foolish; tattooing is far more ornamental and does not chafe. Tailors are like monkeys' tails, good only for hanging."

"What is art? I never saw it before I came here. In Senegal art as I see it in this country would be for a monkey to hang by its tail in a cocoon tree and make all tribes believe it was a man in high suspense."

"Wives are useful, particularly if you smoke. Let their teeth be good; it means better snuff."

"Marry much. Do not take it seriously. Often bad wives make good widows. It is hard to be the widower of a good widow."

"When the cooks spill the broth in our land we put them in the pot to make more. It solves the question of food."

"Many women would rather be one of 55 wives than one of none."

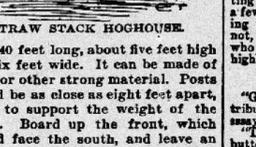
**CHINAMAN GAVE UP HIS SEAT.**  
A Heathen's Courtesy to a Tired Woman While Christians Remained Seated.

A Columbia avenue car, with a good crowd aboard, was wending its way up Ninth street late one Saturday evening. Only a few of the gentler sex were on the car and these had seats. Among the seated passengers were two severe-looking clergymen, several prosperous business men and a docile Chinaman who carried a large bundle on his knees.

## WARM HOUSE FOR HOGS.

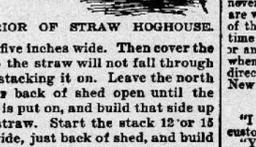
**Farmers Can Make No More Profitable Use of Straw Than by Building One of Them.**

Straw may be put to many uses, and shelter and feed may be partly combined, where used for cattle. Fine quarters may be made for hogs, but runways should be provided for light and exercise. As a warm nest for a cold winter night's sleep, the straw hog house shown is O. K. Build a shed



STRAW STACK HOGHOUSE.

30 or 40 feet long, about five feet high and six feet wide. It can be made of poles or other strong material. Posts should be as close as eight feet apart, so as to support the weight of the straw. Board up the front, which should face the south, and leave an opening in the middle large enough for hogs to pass through; also a space along the top for light and ventilation.



INTERIOR OF STRAW HOGHOUSE.

about five inches wide. Then cover the top so the straw will not fall through while stacking it on. Leave the north side or back of shed open until the straw is put on, and build that side up with straw. Start the stack 12 or 15 feet wide, just back of shed, and build straight up until it is level with top of shed. The ends should be brought up in the same way if one has plenty of straw. Then cover all with straw and finish as though the stack had been started all on the ground. The hogs rubbing against the stack will soon increase their quarters and furnish them with plenty of bedding.—J. R. Stephenson, in Farm and Home.

### SOFT COAL FOR HOGS.

**Writer of This Article Considers It an Almost Positive Preventive of Swine Disease.**

My hogs are fed soft coal almost daily through the summer, and about all they will eat, which would be surprising to some farmers who never feed it in the amount a hog will eat. Growing pigs and shoats like a ration of coal as regularly as they do of corn, judging from the avidity in which they take it. In winter I do not think it necessary to feed it so liberally, yet would fear no harm in supplying them with all they will eat at all times of the year. My herds will average upward of 125 head of all ages for the year, and I calculate that no less number of bushels of coal slack will justify their needs. With a daily supply of coal, fresh water, a balanced ration and good sanitary surroundings, there is little danger of cholera or any other disease affecting them seriously.

A mere handful of coal through two or three times a year to your hogs cannot be considered a guard against disease, any more than one or two ordinary meals would induce health to the human system on a restricted kind of food for the same length of time. There is no substance in its natural state that a hog likes which would be harmful if free access is given at all times or at frequent intervals. In the mineral impregnation of coal the hogs get a certain element that is known better to his own instinct and composition for the beneficial results through mastication. I may be fooled and meet a surprise some day in the shape of hog cholera in my herd by placing such faith in coal, but for the present I will make it the "bottle guard" against swine disease in all its forms until convinced of its inefficacy.—J. E. Haynes, in Swine Breeders' Journal.

**Cross Breeding of Swine.**  
During recent years a great deal has been written and said about the crossing of different breeds of swine in order to secure larger litters, better grazers, more bone, early maturing, better bacon type, etc. In some instances the cross of the breeds may prove advantageous, but it must be done wisely, else disappointment will oftentimes follow such a practice. I believe that with good care and proper selection the above-mentioned desirable characteristics can be secured from any of our generally recognized breeds without the introduction of any foreign blood. Cross breeding may sometimes prove useful, but it is not a wise policy to make a general practice.—Prof. W. J. Kennedy.

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