

A Duel That Never Came Off.
 Senator J. C. S. Blackburn is never at a loss for a word, and is ready to talk at a minute's notice. His friends like to joke him about his garrulity, and recently a colleague told this story at a dinner at which Senator Blackburn was to give a toast: "In his younger days my colleague, Mr. Blackburn, was very chivalrous. Asked by a friend to be a second in a duel, Mr. Blackburn readily consented. At sunrise the parties met at the appointed place. It was Mr. Blackburn's duty to say the last words about the terms of the duel. And, gentlemen," continued the speaker, "do you know that duel never took place?"
 A murmur of "Why not?" went around the table.
 "For a very simple reason," continued the speaker. "When Joe finished speaking it was too dark for a duel."

Mexico's Water Power.
 Of the great abundance of water power with which Mexico is supplied, it is estimated that not more than 250,000 horsepower is being utilized or is in course of development at the present time. The potential horsepower has never been estimated with any degree of accuracy.

Kentucky Man's Duty.
 Jamboree, Ky., August 29 (Special).—After suffering for years with pain in the back Mr. J. M. Coleman, a well known citizen of this place, has found a complete cure in Dodd's Kidney Pills. Knowing how general this disease is all over the country, Mr. Coleman feels it is his duty to make his experience public for the benefit of other sufferers.

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Odd Advertisement.
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Bride Kept Long From Mother.
 When a Chinese girl marries she must wait four months before etiquette allows her to pay her first visit to her mother.

LIVE STOCK



Housing of Sheep.
 Management as regards feeding and housing needs prompt and continued attention. Sheep require to be properly provided for in fall and winter months and at all times when the weather is unsuitable for them remaining in the fields. Hence the necessity of providing good places of shelter. Good, comfortable, roomy sheds or stabling must be provided. These need not be expensive, but should be neat and tidy. The place where they stand should, if possible, be somewhat elevated, and be made dry by good drainage. A commodious open yard should be attached to their houses in every case to allow exercise. Exercise as opposed to over much confinement is indispensable in the successful carrying on of the sheep industry. It is not necessary, nor is it wise, that their houses should be overwarm. Frame buildings made close so as to exclude all draughts, is about all that is necessary. Have plenty of windows for sunlight and good ventilation overhead. Feeding racks are to be placed in the inside department and may be so arranged as to suit the pen.—W. W. Cooper.

Baby Beef Points.
 There is no making of good baby beef without good feeding from the start. The young calf starts out with the habit of putting on fat. Usually this is lost and the habit does not again return till the steer has reached maturity and stops growing in size. That is what has brought us into the habit of waiting for steers to mature before attempting to fatten them. Baby beef must be made by the process of so feeding that the animal will put on fat as it goes along and so at half the age of the ordinary steer is fit for the market. It will thus be seen that the feeding must be excellent and that no untoward accident must be allowed to come in to change the course of events. One such untoward circumstance is cold quarters in winter, with dampness and bad ventilation. No artificial heat is necessary, but the quarters in which baby beef is being grown should be sunny and well ventilated. The pure air only can supply the oxygen the animal needs in performing the functions necessary to growth. It is usual to dispose of baby beef at from 12 to 18 months of age, at which time the weights will run from 800 to 1,200 pounds.

Cattle a Farm Should Carry.
 There is such a thing as overstocking a farm and there is such a thing as understocking it. The amount of cattle a farm should carry will depend on the amount of rough feed that can be or is produced. Enough cattle should be kept to consume all the roughage, and anything short of this is less than the farm should carry. Cattle are the means by which we take the grass, straw and cornstalks and change them into meat and milk. The number of cattle a farm should carry will depend in addition on the arrangements for taking care of them. It would hardly be wise to keep a large number of cattle if there was no provision for finishing them on grain when the proper time of doing so arrives. We believe it is true that in the main more of our farms are understocked than overstocked. The pastures are frequently overstocked and so are the great western ranges, but most of our farms could carry much more stock than they do, if proper arrangements were made.

The man that follows mixed farming can grow crops and feed them on his own farm, thus sending off the farm only the things that take least of the fertility.

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Needs Them in His Business.
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Capacity of Toads.
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The "Bird in the Hand."
 He is no wise man that will quit a certainty for an uncertainty.—Samuel Johnson.

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