HOW TO TELL WHEN IT IS AGOING TO RAIN.

The wood-fly, Jenner thus distinguishes the "infallible signs" of a coming storm.

The hollow winds begin to blow,
The clouds look black, the glass is low;
The soot falls down, the spaniels stray
And spider from his cobweb pole
Last night the moon went pale to bed,
The moon in white hung her head;
The b-ding sheaphard foresaw a sigh,
For see, a rainbow spans the sky.
The walls are damp, the ditches smell,
Closed is the pink eyed pimpernell.
Hark! how the chairs and tables crack,
Old Betty's joints are on the rack;
Her corns with shooting pains torment her,
And to her bed unkindly sent her;
Lord quack the ducks, the ass for I cry,
The distant hills are looking nigh.
How numerous are the scattering swallows,
The busy flies disturb the cows,
Low o'er the grass the swallow wings,
The cricket too, how loud he sings!
Puss on the hearth, with velvet paws,
Her whiskers o'er her blinkered jaws.
The smoke from chimneys right ascends,
Then spreading, turns to earth it bends.
The wind unsteady veers around,
Growing to the east is found.
Through the clear stream the fishes rise,
And quickly catch the unwaryfies flies.
The glow-worms numerous, clear and bright,
Illumed the dewy dell last night.
At dusk the spreckled toad was seen,
Like quadruped, crawling o'er the green.
The whistling wind (it—first chirps,
And in the rapid eddy pipes.
The hog has changed his yellow coat,
And is a russet coat or drab'd.
The sky is green, the air is still,
The mallow blackbird's voice is shrill.
The dog, so stirred in his room,
Gnaw mutton bones, on grass to feast.
Behold the ducks, how old their flight,
They incline the gliding kite,
And seem precipitate to fall,
As if they felt the pinching ball.
The tender coffee on hearth do lie,
Not heed the trivial passing fly;
Is fiery red the sun doth rise,
Then wades through clouds to assist the skies.
'Twill surely rain, I see'k with sorrow,
Our peats must be put off to morrow.

PREPARE FOR WINTER.

Winter is at hand, with its storms of sleet and snow, and all necessary preparations for the comfort and thrift of his stock should be made by the farmer. These duties will now nearly monopolise his attention. Every season has for him its appropriate and varying work, and that of winter brings him often among his domestic animals, as their sustenance and shelter is mostly provided by his care and labor. On these subjects we offer a few suggestions.

Considerations of economy as well as humanity should induce attention to the protection and shelter of domestic animals in inclement weather. Less food is required to sustain in thriving condition an animal in a comfortable stable, than one not thus sheltered. The vital heat must be kept to a certain point—about 100 deg.—and this is done by the food consumed, which serves as fuel to sustain that temperature. A sheltered position tends to keep up the animal heat, while exposure decreases it or rather makes more food or fuel requisite to support it. An equal temperature is also more healthy than one continually changing. No animal, however hardy it may be, can be exposed to a winter storm, especially a drenching rain, without injury to their health and condion. The moisture may rapidly evaporate, but every drop of water thus passing off, takes with it a portion a of vital heat as it rises.

Comfortable stables and sheds for horses, cattle and sheep—not neglecting the pigs and poultry—are a part of the essential requisites of a good farm. Still they may not always be conveniently provided, and in such cases, one should do his best to prepare a substitute. Sheds may be built of poles, rails or boards, and straw, which will shelter sheep and cattle almost as well as more costly structures—though of course not as conveniently. When built of rails, the walls should be made double and stuffed with straw, which may also be used as a thatch; or evergreen boughs answer well this purpose.

It is poor policy to pinch stock in the early part of winter. Let them be kept in good heart, if it can be done, from first to last, and if they must be put on short allowance, let it be at the close of the season; a straw cutter is a prime necessity. Corn stalks cut fine are eagerly consumed by cattle; and clover, and all course hay goes much farther when cut, and even the best of hay is increased in value by this preparation. If grain of any kind is fed, it should be ground and mixed with cut straw, first moistened with water. It will be better digested, and consequently less will be required.—Apples and roots are of much value as food for all kinds of stock.

Much may be done towards increasing the quantity and quality of manure heaps. The stables should be kept well littered, for the comfort and health of their occupants and the pig-pen be supplied with the raw material for the young porkers to manufacture. Muck, leaves from the woods, coarse hay and such absorbant materials will add much to the value of this "essential to farming"—manure. Enough of these or of straw should be mixed with the horse dung to prevent its heating, and to take up the liquid portion of the same. No farmer who studies true economy, will suffer any fertilizer to go to waste which his reasonable care can save.

Water, as well as food is necessary. This should be brought into the yard, if it may be, so that every animal may have the supply his wants demand. It is an excellent plan to have proper cisterns constructed to take the water from the barn roof, where springs are not available, may be secured.—*Wool Grower.*

HOW TO DO UP SHIRT BOSOMS.—We often hear ladies expressing a desire to know by what process the glaze on our linen, shirt bosoms, &c., is produced, and in order to gratify them, we subjoin the following recipe:

Take two ounces of fine white gum arabic powder—put it in a pitcher, and pour on a pint or more of boiling water according to the degree of strength you desire—and then, having covered it, let it set all night—in the morning pour it carefully from the dregs into a clean bottle, cork it, and keep it for use. A table spoonful of gum water stirred into a pint of starch made in the usual manner, will give to lawn, white or printed, a look of newness, when nothing else can restore them after washing.

—There are two reasons why some people don't have the advice of "mind your own business." First, they haven't any business, and second, no mind to bring it to.

Change of Food.

There appears to be, in all animals a propensity frequently to change their food, the periodical indulgence of which, within reasonable limits, is highly conducive not only to the gratification of the appetite, but to the promotion of health. In our own species, this propensity is strikingly displayed, and the necessity for its gratification, is incontestably demonstrated by the fact that individuals confined for any considerable length of time to the same diet, are much more liable to disease and loss of health, than those who indulge in a variety. This is evinced by the extreme prevalence of those fatal maladies attending long voyages, where the seamen are necessarily restricted for months to the same rations. Dogs, cats, and other domesticated animals, confined for an undue period to one sort of food, though it be of a character naturally adapted to their wants, have been known to sicken and die. The only exception to this rule, perhaps, is found in those anomalous cases where the food is of the simplest and most humble kinds; as, for instance, the potatoes of the Irish, and the no less simple aliment of the people under the tropics.

A consideration of this fact is of the greatest consideration to farmers, who, though frequently guided in the treatment of their domestic animals by the most benevolent sympathies, are yet liable to err, and commit involuntary mistakes on nature, purely through a misconception of the necessities imposed by an irriversible natural law. In feeding cattle of all kinds, it will be found that a variety of food is always better than an unvaried course. The same article fails, by repetition, upon the palate, and a dislike is engendered for food, which, though nutritive and rapid enough in itself, when craved by the appetite, long and compulsory habituation deprived of *all* its natural attractions, and invests with attributes that cause it to be contemplated, even in hunger, with loathing and disgust.—*N. E. Farmer.*

Apple Molasses and Apple Butter.

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IMPURE LANGUGAE.—There are some habits which we can never entirely annihilate, after we have once formed them. The use of impure language is one of those habits. It may be subdued and slumber for years, till its existence is almost forgotten, and then, in the delirium of fever, it may suddenly burst forth, to the astonishment of all who listen. Many a devoted Christian in the delirium of a sick bed, has shocked his friends by the use of profane or obscene language, which could be explained only by the fact that he had been familiar with such language in early life. In reading the memoir of Dr. Grant, the missionary to the Nestorians, I was struck with a fact relating to his last illness. For seventeen days previous to his death, he was in a delirium; but, says his biographer, "though speaking almost constantly on many topics, in three different languages—that is English, Turkish, and Syriac—he did not utter a single word he would have been ashamed of afterwards. His associates listened to these disclosures of his secret heart and wondered that nothing appeared that they would have wished to conceal."—*Well-spring.*

MEADOW MUCK.—We trust that many of our readers and correspondents will haul muck that has become dry and pulverized, into their barn cellars or under cover during the fall months. If not convenient to get it to barn or barn yard, haul it on fields on which you intend to raise corn or potatoes and put it in heaps shaped so as to prevent soaking and leaching, as much generally contains some lime and other soluble matter. If this should be attended to pretty generally by our readers and correspondents, we might expect to hear many favorable reports of the practice in the course of the coming season. That which is hauled to the barn or near it, should be used to mix up, a fresh layer every week or so with the contents of the privy, and to absorb the suds and discharges from the sink spout in a vault dug near it.—Some may also be used to mix with the droppings of the animals, and whenever a compost of any kind is made, much should enter into its composition. In any and all these ways excellent manure will be formed, which will speak for itself, on the garden, corn field or elsewhere. Muck by itself is a good application for potatoes. We hope muck will be used in all the ways named, and that we shall hear of it.—*Country Gentleman.*

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