## Agricultural Column.

### TASTE IN FURNITURE.

A lady asks us, in a letter, to give some hints respecting taste in furniture. It is scarcely possible, however, to lay down a rule with respect to the ordinary furniture of the room; yet there is a general law of propriety, which ought, as much as possible to be observed. Regard must be had to what is called "the fitness of things," and the avoiding of violent contrasts. For instance, sometimes a showy centre-table is seen in the middle of a room, where the carpet and every other article is shabby and out of repair; or a flashy looking-glass stands above the chimney-piece, as though to reflect the incongruous taste of its owner. Shabby things always look the shabbier when thus contrasted with what is bright and new. We do not mean to say that new articles should never be purchased; we remark only, that in buying furniture, regard should be had to the condition of the room in which it is to be placed. For this reason, second-hand furniture is sometimes preferable to new.

"So many men, so many minds," is an old saying; and scarcely two people agree in choosing their assortment of furniture.—What is convenient for one, is inconvenient for another; and that which is considered ornamental by one family, would be tho't ugly by their neighbors. There are, however, certain articles suited to most rooms—an ordinary parlor, for example. The number of chairs depends on the size of the room; eight are usually chosen, two of them being elbows. A square two-flap mahogany table, or a circular one with tripid stand, occupies the centre of the apartment. At one side stands a sofa, a side-board, a cheffonier, or perhaps a book-case. Sometimes the cheffonier, with a few shelves fixed to the wall above it, is made to do duty as a book-case, and it answers the purpose very well. If there be no sofa, there will be probably an easy-chair, in a snug corner, not far from the fire-place; in another corner stands a small work-table, or a light occasional table is placed near the window, to hold a flower-basket, or some other ornamental article. These constitute the articles most needed in a room; there are several smaller things, which may be added according to circumstances.

It is one thing to have furniture in a room, and another to know how to arrange it. To do this to the best advantage, requires the exercise of a little thought and judgment. Some people live with their furniture in the most inconvenient positions, because it never occurred to them to shift it from place to place, until they had really found which was the most suitable. Those who are willing to make the attempt, will often find that a room is improved in appearance and convenience by a little change in the place of the furniture.

It is too much the practice to cover the mantelpiece with a number and variety of knick-knacks and monstrosities by way of ornament; but this is in very bad taste.—Three, or at most, four articles, are all that should be seen in that conspicuous situation. Vases of white porcelain, called "Parian," or of old china, or a small statue, or a shell or two, are the most suitable. The forms of some of the white vases, now sold at a low price, are so elegant, that it is a real pleasure to look at them.—*Peterson's Magazine.*

To Weigh Live Cattle by Measure. The only instrument necessary is a tape measure with feet and inch marks upon it. The girth is the circumference of the animal just behind the shoulder blades. The length is the distance from the shoulder blade to the rear of the buttock. The superficial feet is obtained by multiplying the girth and length. The following table contains the rule to ascertain the weight of the animal.

If less than one foot in girth, multiply superficial feet by eight.

If less than three, and more than one, multiply superficial feet by eleven.

If less than five and more than three, multiply superficial feet by sixteen.

If less than seven, and more than five, multiply superficial feet by twenty-three.

If less than nine, and more than seven, multiply superficial feet by thirty-three.

If less than eleven, and more than nine, multiply superficial feet by forty-two.

*Example.*—Suppose the girth of a bullock be five feet six inches. The superficial area will then be thirty-four, and in accordance with the above table the weight will be 782 pounds.

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