

Some Facts About Farming.

In June number of the Metropolitan Magazine H. W. Collingwood, who is described as "an authority on all phases of the farming proposition," has a highly interesting article on "Back to the Land." The city man who is possessed of an agricultural fever is given some good advice from the standpoint of one who knows from long experience the practical side of farming.

In the beginning Mr. Collingwood sounds a timely warning against co-operative schemes where "you simply buy stock in the enterprise and sit in the shade and wait for dividends." He says that for some years he has publicly challenged the directors of companies organized to promote some farm product, to show that promises to stockholders have not been realized. "I have yet to hear reports," he writes, "from one that has made good."

The city man is cautioned to be slow about accepting "stories of mighty crops and large farm incomes." The possibilities, as Mr. Collingwood sees them, are "home, health and a fair competence, with independence and peace of mind." From a business outlook, he believes there never was a better time to try farming. "The movement has been away from the farm until prices of all kinds of food are high, and there is nothing in sight to indicate that prices will be greatly reduced by increased production."

It is only a question of time, Mr. Collingwood thinks, before the Federal Government will be compelled to establish parcels post "such as has proved so useful in England and on the continent." The mails are used there for carrying farm products, fish, fresh meats, fruit, butter and eggs. "A farmer in the country arranges with a number of town people to supply them with produce. When goods are wanted these customers send him a card and he forwards them a chicken, a package of sausage, fruit, or what not, by mail. The postage rate is low and the goods are promptly delivered." The advantages of such a system to the farmer are obvious.

Mr. Collingwood advises specializing in some particular crop. He makes a number of valuable suggestions in this line and also in a general way. Summing it all up, he believes it "quite possible for a city man to find home and competence on a farm," but "the farmer in the country should grow slowly and try and carry fair working capital."

The article is such a one as should be read and digested thoroughly by anyone who may have the mistaken idea that farming is a soft snarl, an occupation where enormous profits are the rule rather than the exception.

How He Handled Them.

During the last week in October R. D. Brawner, a regular farmer and feeder of cattle and hogs, who lives at Delavan, Ill., so carefully bred two year-old hants Montana bred Angus steers on the Chicago market at \$9, the highest price ever paid for branded range fed cattle on the regular market. The steers averaged 1500 pounds in weight and brought the owner a trifle over \$135 apiece. Cattle feeders will be interested in Mr. Brawner's history of the care of this bunch of profitable heaves. He says:

"These cattle were bought on the Chicago market one year ago yesterday as yearlings, averaging 750 pounds, at \$4 per hundred pounds. They were bred and raised on a ranch near Livingston, Mont. I took them home and roughed them through last winter in the stalk fields and with a little clover hay until April 1, then fed them in a dry lot for about six weeks, when I placed them on blue grass pasture, with a light ear corn ration fed each evening until Sept. 1. I then began giving them a full ration of crushed corn and oats, with dry fodder on pasture, until shortly before shipment, when they were again placed in dry lot. No patent stock foods were used. I think the dry fodder was a great help to their finish, as they always ate it with great relish. As a general proposition, I strongly recommended feeding stock corn complete to cattle after Sept. 1. I do not approve of a standing ration of corn either in self feeder or troughs, but in fattening cattle I feed one or two regularly just enough to keep them clean. This lot of cattle was fattened with the least corn of any I ever fed, and I have fed cattle practically all my life."

One or two further points of interest in connection with Mr. Brawner's methods are that he makes a great point of careful and gentle treatment of his feeding animals; that he uses a manure spreader on his farm all the time, having in mind the necessity of maintaining soil fertility by selling his beef and pork rather than raw grain products. He also places a high estimate on the well bred range fed steer as uniform, growthy and free from disease.

Farm Notes.

The rows where you have had early corn are excellent for celery.

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It is a good plan to wash the work horses' shoulders every evening after a hot day's work. If a little salt is added to the water it is better as it tends to harden the skin.

Don't put immature corn in the silo. It must reach the glazed or dented stage before it will make good silage. Immature, sappy stuff will be low in feeding value, and it will make sour ensilage.

Don't be so cruel as to work a horse day after day with a sore neck or shoulder. Sores are usually caused by ill-fitted harness and can in most cases be easily cured if well attended to.

Have you tried dividing your pasture land in two and changing your stock every week or so? People who have tried it say that they can get at least one-fourth more profit out of their pastures in that way.

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