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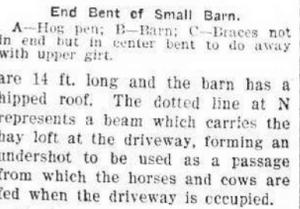
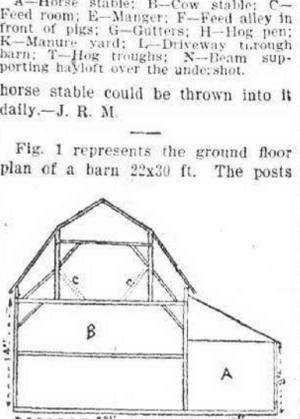


Fig. 1 represents the ground floor plan of a barn 22x30 ft. The posts are 14 ft. long and the barn has a hipped roof. The dotted line at N represents a beam which carries the hay loft at the driveway, forming an undershot to be used as a passage from which the horses and cows are fed when the driveway is occupied.

Fig. 2 represents the end bent. The dotted lines C extending from the perline posts down to the beam are braces. These do not belong to the end bent, but to the center one, where they do away with the necessity of a perline girt, so that a horse fork can be used in putting in hay.

To Keep Water Out of Celler.

I have a cellar 23x33 feet under my house; it has stone walls and brick floor. During a wet time the cellar drain brings water into the cellar to a depth of 2 feet 6 inches, and water comes in by soakage also. How would it answer to line the cellar wall with concrete and put in a concrete floor.—L. G. O.

It is difficult to keep water out of cellar when there is a continued soakage, but if you are only troubled with it in the spring and fall of the year, would advise the closing up of the present drain, and putting in a concrete wall six inches thick against the stone wall on the inside of the cellar to the height required to keep the water out; and plaster with cement mortar. Put in a concrete floor, two inches thick, on top of the brick bottom now in use; drain this to a concrete cistern built outside of the house for this purpose. By doing this you will not have to pump out the cistern more than once or twice a year. If the cellar is located in a very low place, where water is continually coming in put in a three inch floor and finish with sand two parts to Portland cement one part and finish smooth with a trowel and closing up all drains.

Moving a Barn.

To move a small barn first jack it up high enough to lay planks lengthwise on the ground underneath the sills. Place rollers on these and underneath the sills of the barn about 8 ft. apart. Lay planks on the ground ahead of the sills to receive the rollers as the barn is moved ahead. Have a couple of extra rollers to lay on these to carry the sills until there is one tree behind; then carry this one ahead and use again. Now fasten a sling or chain from each front corner post of the barn at the bottom of the post so as to hook on a double pulley block in the center of the sling; this keeps the barn from drawing off corners. Now anchor the other end of the double block as far ahead as the rope will allow; hook on a team and watch the rollers, keeping them in position by striking them with heavy sledge should they get turned angling. You can move a considerable distance at a time in this way. Anchor as often as necessary until the barn is moved to the proper place. Should you have to move the barn in a circle, lay the planks in the circle desired and angle the rollers to suit the curve and the barn will follow the plank track.

A Cheap House.

Could a two story house with sitting room 16x16 feet, dining room, 10x16 feet, a small kitchen, pantry and bedroom downstairs, with bedrooms and closets upstairs, and a cellar be built for \$600.

A very plain two story house 28x32 feet with cellar might be built in most sections for about \$800 or \$900. A house 18x24 feet would probably cost about \$600.

RAILROADS AND PROGRESS.

In his testimony before the senate committee on interstate commerce at Washington on May 4, Prof. Hugo R. Meyer of the Chicago university, an expert on railroad management, made this statement:

"Let us look at what might have happened if we had heeded the protests of the farmers of New York and Ohio and Pennsylvania (in the '70's, when grain from the west began pouring to the Atlantic seaboard), and acted upon the doctrine which the interstate commerce commission has enunciated time and again, that no man may be deprived of the advantages accruing to him by virtue of his geographical position. We could not have west of the Mississippi a population of millions of people who are prosperous and are great consumers. We never should have seen the years when we built 10,000 and 12,000 miles of railway, for there would have been no farmers west of the Mississippi river who could have used the land that would have been opened up by the building of those railways. And if we had not seen the years when we could build 10,000 and 12,000 miles of railway a year, we should not have today east of the Mississippi a steel and iron producing center, which is at once the marvel and the despair of Europe, because we could not have built up a steel and iron industry if there had been no market for its product.

We could not have in New England a great boot and shoe industry; we could not have in New England a great cotton milling industry; we could not have spread throughout New York and Pennsylvania and Ohio manufacturing industries of the most diversified kinds, because those industries would have no market among the farmers west of the Mississippi river.

And while the progress of this country, while the development of the agricultural west of this country, did mean the impairment of the agricultural value east of the Mississippi river, that ran up into hundreds of millions of dollars, it meant incidentally the building up of great manufacturing industries that added to the value of this land by thousands of millions of dollars. And, gentlemen, those things were not foreseen in the '70's. The statesmen and the public men of this country did not see what part the agricultural development of the west was going to play in the industrial development of the east. And you may read the decisions of the interstate commerce commission from the first to the last, and what is one of the greatest characteristics of those decisions? The continued inability to see the question in this large way.

The interstate commerce commission never can see anything more than that the farm land of some farmer is decreasing in value, or that some man who has a flour mill with a production of fifty barrels a day is being crowded out. It never can see that the destruction or impairment of farm values in this place means the building up of farm values in that place, and that that shifting of values is a necessary incident to the industrial and manufacturing development of this country. And if we shall give to the interstate commerce commission power to regulate rates, we shall no longer have our rates regulated on the statesmanlike basis on which they have been regulated in the past by the railway men, who really have been great statesmen, who really have been great builders of empires, who have had an imagination that rivals the imagination of the greatest poet and of the greatest inventor, and who have operated with a courage and daring that rivals the courage and daring of the greatest military general. But we shall have our rates regulated by a body of civil servants, bureaucrats, whose besetting sin the world over is that they never can grasp a situation in a large way and with the grasp of the statesman; that they never can see the fact that they are confronted with a small evil; that that evil is relatively small, and that it cannot be corrected except by the creation of evils and abuses which are infinitely greater than the one that is to be corrected."

MAN IN OLD AGE.

Deterioration in Mind and Spirit His Own Fault.

Every one, says Cervantes, is the son of his own works. Or, as he says in another place, every one is as God made him, and oftentimes a great deal worse. No better explanation could be found for the common fear of growing old. Our own premeditated works have robbed us of the joy that comes from the primitive emotions and from honest and disinterested meditation on the great facts of life. "My heart leaps up when I behold a rainbow in the sky," says the poet. Most men can echo with him, "So was it when my life began"; but how few can honestly exclaim, "So is it now I am a man." And yet if mind and heart had been exercised aright, all would be able to make that assertion. There is nothing in nature to debar any man from making it.—Boston Post.

Loss Little Strength.

The famous French chemist, Berthelot, has made experiments which show that a gramme of iodoform exposed to the air will lose only a billionth part of a gramme in an hour, and a gramme of musk only a thousandth part of that.

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A New York man who died at the age of 104 years, a few days ago, had the same things for breakfast during the last ninety years—coffee and doughnuts or crullers, followed by a pipe of tobacco. This is a sad case for dietary reformers to consider, but probably they will maintain that he would have lived twenty years longer but for the coffee, doughnuts and tobacco.

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