

Farmer's Column.

Soiling Cows. Pasturing cattle cannot be made profitable upon any land that costs more than \$50 an acre. As the value of land increases, it is necessary to increase the return for it, and this can only be done by spending more labor upon it. It is labor that gives value to everything. Fifty tons of iron are worth only \$1,000 or a little more; but when this iron is changed by skilled labor into a locomotive, it is worth \$15,000, or even more than that. It is precisely the same with a farmer's fields. If five or six acres are used to pasture one cow which makes a return of \$20 for the use of the land, equal to \$3 or \$4 to the acre, the land is worth one-fifth or one-sixth as much as if the cow were fed upon one acre for the same length of time. Where a farmer pays \$100 an acre for his land, then it is clear that he gets a very small return for his outlay when he uses his fields for pasturing. The only method by which the land can be made profitable is by keeping more stock upon it, and this can only be done by growing soiling crops and cutting them for feeding. The most important result of this system is, that by keeping more stock more manure is made, and the land is made richer and able to produce a larger yield. Another advantage is that by cultivating the land it is not necessary to divide it into fields as for pasturing, and fences may be dispensed with. A portion of the farm only is used for pasture, and that alone needs to be fenced. This fence, too, may be made portable, so that it can be easily moved from field to field as pasture is changed from year to year. This pasture may be used for two or three years, and being well manured by the cattle kept on it, which are fed upon crops cut from other fields, can be brought under cultivation and yield very large crops for a few years until it is again seeded and brought into grass. The crops grown for soiling are rye sown in the fall, orchard grass, clover and corn. These furnish a succession of green fodder from early in May until the winter puts a stop to out-door feeding. Rye is fit for cutting in May, orchard grass follows it. The rye being cut off is followed on the same ground with early sweet corn, which is removed in time for a crop of millet and part of the rye ground is put in late corn, which is used off in time to sow the ground again for rye. Thus each acre in rye will yield two or three crops, amounting on the whole, to ten or twelve tons of green fodder, one ton of which is able to feed twelve cows for three days, and one acre of which is sufficient to support one cow the whole year. For winter feeding, a crop of mangels or sugar beets is required, and as one acre will easily produce twenty tons, and a cow will consume three tons in four months, one acre will support seven cows through the winter with a moderate quantity of dried corn fodder, hay, straw and sufficient grain food to keep her in the highest productive condition. Orchard grass is the most certain dependence for the pasture. It grows quickly after having been eaten down, and furnishes late feeding in the fall while it makes the best of hay, with the single exception of clover.

The Profit of Farming. Twenty per cent. is a small return for money well invested in a farm and stock; \$300 for \$1,000 or \$4,000 for \$10,000 is a very common income from a well conducted farm, and there are abundant opportunities for doing better than that. Many a farmer has gone West and has bought land which has paid him 100 per cent. for several years. Hop-growers, fruit-growers, poultrymen, bee-keepers, and even dairyman sometimes make 100 per cent. profit, and rarely less than 25 or 30 per cent. Let a farmer sell his farm for \$10,000 and put it in a 20 per cent. mine, and get \$2,000 a year income. He rents a house, buys his provisions and his fuel, hires a horse or carriage when he wants to go out, and at the end of the year he will find his income quite insufficient to keep him in the comfort he enjoyed on the farm, while all the time the mine is being worked out, and some day he is told 'the bottom has fell out of it,' and he finds all his money has fallen out with the bottom of the mine. No certain, sure and permanent investment except a farm can be expected to pay more than five per cent. nowadays, and all above that has a proportionate element of risk in it. But what risk is there about a farm that is free from debt? The bottom never falls out of that and one may securely enjoy it as long as he lives, and leave it to his children, knowing that a thousand years hence the soil will still be returning its generous dividends.

Red Pepper for Stock. It does not appear to be generally known among farmers what an excellent tonic and appetizer red pepper is. It is good for man, beast, or bird. Its good effects when given to poultry at this season is known to many housewives, and some farmers know of its value when mixed with the slops and fed to hogs. But how many farmers ever gave red pepper to cattle, horses and sheep? And yet it is about as useful to them as to any other animal. It possesses a highly stimulating and invigorating property, gives the system tone and strength, renews the appetite and enables weakly animals to move and feed with avidity. For sickly stock there is, perhaps, no better medicine. It may be given in bran, corn meal, or slops, at the rate of a teaspoonful a day of the ground article to a fowl. But it sufficient in most cases to make of the whole pods a strong tea, and mix it in the feed, or boil it in the slops for the hogs. Every family should use it largely, for it is as good for mankind as for animals. Instead of the black pepper, the home grown red pepper should take its place, and some of it ought to be on the table at every noon-day meal. Every family should raise it for domestic use. Its value as a preventive of disease is beyond estimation. For song-birds that are dull and drooping, a little of it will be found highly beneficial. Let every farmer grow red pepper, and make liberal use of it among his stock.

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