

Farmers' Column.

Give foals their gold & honey & their power. Let fortune's bubbles rise and fall. Who sows a field or rears a flower. Or plants a tree, is more than all.

Pruning, When and How.

The jobbing gardeners and others who go about trimming (they often call it "thrumming") grape vines, and fruit and ornamental trees, look so wise, and surround the matter with so much mystery, that many ordinary people fear to undertake it. As to the time of pruning—we refer to the removal of ripened wood—it may be done at any time between the fall of the leaf and when the swelling of the buds indicates that new leaves are about to be produced. It is not advisable to prune in severe winter weather, as at that time the wood may crack and make a bad wound. Besides, this is a time when it is uncomfortable to do the work. The outfit for one who would undertake to do his own pruning is: a sharp pruning knife, a pair of pruning shears, a pruning saw—a saw with a narrow blade, the teeth of which have a wide set. For branches not over two inches in diameter at the base, many prefer a hand, stout chisel or a saw. This has a socket into which handles of various lengths can be inserted. The chisel is placed at the under side of the branch to be removed, and the end of the handle is struck upward with a heavy mallet. All the large wounds should be covered with some material to protect them from the weather. Slit the bark in for this purpose, but at the present price of alcohol is too expensive—Melted grafting wax is the best substitute, and in the absence of this any thick paint may be used. To prune understandingly one must know something of the manner of growth of trees etc. The most important point is this: the growth next spring will proceed from the buds that were formed last season.

Packing Butter.

Prof. George E. Morrow writes as follows on the subject of packing butter for winter use: The packing of butter, with reference to its preservation for a longer period than a few days, or a few weeks at most, has almost become a lost art in many portions of the country. Fresh butter is naturally preferred, and the great extension of winter butter making, both in factories and private dairies, has largely done away with the necessity for the once very common practice of packing some portion of the summer's make for use in winter. There are no special difficulties in packing butter so that it will remain in good condition for months, sometimes even for years. It is essential that it be well made; be so thoroughly washed or worked that no buttermilk remains, and that it be closely packed, leaving no space for air in or around it. Usually rather more salt is used than when it is expected that the butter will be used within a short time, but this is not essential. For home use racking in jars has advantages, but these are objectionable if the butter is to be shipped. Good hard wood packages, thoroughly soaked and cleaned—better if but brine be used at the last—will do nicely. They must be and remain tight so there shall be no leakage. Commonly a layer of good salt is put on the bottom of the package, which is then nearly filled with the butter as solidly packed as may be. A muslin of linen cloth is then laid on top of the butter, nicely smoothed down at the sides; then a layer of salt is put on this, and the package headed; then a hole is made in one of the other heads and brine is poured in, the hole then being stopped with a bung. Sometimes the package is not covered except with salt and the cloth. Some prefer to practically inclose all the butter in a cloth sack and surround it with brine by packing it in a package larger at one end than the other, having it with small end down, filling with brine and then setting the package on the large end. As the butter settles to the bottom the brine is left at the sides and on the top—Of course the packages should be kept in a cool and even temperature.

Agricultural Notes

When eggs are sent from a distance for hatching they should never be roughly handled; but it is important where the journey requires several days that the eggs be packed occasionally. If the yolk settles down on one side and becomes fastened to the shell the vitality of the egg is quickly destroyed.

A barrel of fine flour of 196 pounds is made from an average of 280 pounds of wheat, the remaining eighty-four pounds being bran, middlings and low grade flour. The amount of the flour made from sixty pounds of wheat varies a little with varieties of wheat, soft wheat yielding more flour than hard wheat.

The excessive feeding of hogs is less common than it was twenty or thirty years ago. Few people now relish the pork made from hogs which have been fattened until blinded and only killed when the animals were unable to walk to their troughs and eat. Such mummies of lard are not healthful eating, while to most tastes excessively fat pork is not palatable.

Few farmers know how much feed for fowls can be grown from a small patch of sunflower. The seeds need to be planted on rich soil, as its rapid and enormous growth is very exhaustive. If given to any other stock than fowls, sunflower seed should be ground and its hull sifted from the meal, as it is very injurious to animals not having very strong digestive organs.

The instinct of a fowl leads it to scratch even in feeding on a heap of whole grain. This causes it to stop eating long enough to swallow. We give fowls too much at a time, and this causes them to stuff themselves so as to injure their crops if fed dampened meal.

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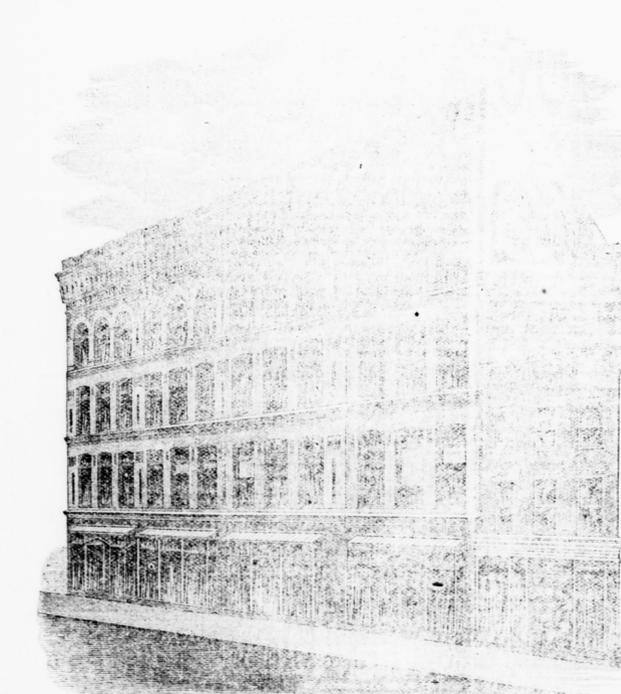
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