

FEEDING AND HOUSEHOLD.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Good, salable Cotswolds are hard to find. Dip the sheep, especially the lambs, at shearing time.

No bill is ever safe to handle as a pet except a dead bull. William Rice, the veteran fruit dealer of Ogdensburg, N. Y., is dead.

Wouldn't you like just now to have good roads everywhere? The selling of 81,000 barrels last week by Minnesota represents the consumption of 560,000 coiled elm hoops and 194,000 hickory hoops.

One test of a good shepherd is to know when every ewe is expected to lamb; and another is, to have proper preparations made for the event.

The best sheep is the one that has short legs and a good body of good length and properly shaped, square on the shoulders, round ribs, good straight back, well rounded hams and a good brisket.

Reports from Corpus Christi, Tex., say: Yesterday and today twenty carloads of cabbage left here for northern markets. The shipment breaks all Southwest Texas records.

A COMMON PRACTICE. It is a very common practice to put away food that comes from the shop in the kitchen paper in which the dealer wraps it. While this may be convenient, it certainly is open to serious objection on the score of health and cleanliness.

There is a dearth of fine wool in the world, and that grade is largely advanced in price. But the most of us will manage to do along if we can't wear any finer wool than is grown in the United States.

The largest wheat field in Oklahoma is near White Eagle, on the "Big Ranch," and is controlled by Geo. Miller & Son, of Winfield, Kan., and consists of 9,000 acres. The Millers have thirty-two self binders and three threshing outfits, and another year will buy six more binders and another thrasher.

The Kansas Experiment station declares that there is no remedy for corn smut. "Soaking the seed in chemicals is without effect." In severe cases the smut balls should be gathered by hand.

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Some people go into ecstasies about farmers feeding hogs corn. It is the best food for hogs that the year over, when a great many of the crank writers are dead and gone, hogs will still be fed corn. A hog that has been on pasture all summer will eat corn and fatten on it.

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PUBLIC STILL HOLDING OFF.

Railroad Earnings Continue to Show Encouraging Gains Because They Are Well Up With Those of Last Year.

NEW YORK, April 28.—(Special.)—Henry Clarks in his weekly financial review says: The stock market has been slow in recovering from the shock imparted by last week's developments. The decline in the losses then incurred have naturally exerted a deterrent effect upon speculation, giving rise to a general feeling of uncertainty.

Now is a good time to divide and replant clumps of perennials. Make the soil deep and rich where you set them. Don't prune the shrubs that bloom in spring until just after their flowers have faded.

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APOTROPE TO A COW. Thou comest on with vengeful men Oh, cow! Thy head is on thy grassy field I venture in thy crazy field And gaze at thee As thou dost eat Thy crazy grass In peaceful peace And far from all assigned thee That thou wouldst rear And toss thy head And bow at the sight Of my crimson waist And raise thy tail and charge Oh, peaceful cow!

USES OF DEAD HORSES. The leg bones are very hard and white and are used for handles of pocket and table cutlery. The ribs and mane are especially valuable, as from these are made the hair cloth of commerce.

APLES IN THE NORTHWEST. A pamphlet on "The Apple" written by G. C. Brackett for the department of agriculture gives the varieties as the best adapted for Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa.

A HIGH WINDMILL. Probably the highest windmill in England is found in Yarmouth. It belongs to the Press Bros. and was built in 1812 at a cost of \$30,000.

MAY BRIEFS. This is the daffodil month. Sweet peas are just coming and are ready to be sown.

WISCONSIN CENTRAL EXCURSION. St. Louis, Mo., and return, \$18.00; New Orleans and return, \$25.00; Chicago and return, \$12.00.

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FINANCIAL. FOREIGN FINANCIAL.—New York, April 28.—The London financial cablegram advertised in the markets here were very quiet today and the price of silver was steady.

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THE LIVE STOCK MARKETS. SOUTH ST. PAUL, April 28.—Receipts at the Union Stock Yards (estimated) were: Cattle, 100; calves, 25; hogs, 2,000; sheep, 10; pigs, 5.

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