AGRICULTURAL.

Farmers' meetings, under the direction of the Board of agriculture, were held at East Fairfield the 18th and 19th and at Johnson yesterday and today.

The 19th annual meeting of the Vermont dairymen's association is to be held at Burlington on the 16th, 17th and 18th of January, 1889. Two hundred dollars are offered in cash prizes.

At a farmers' meeting held at Waterbury last week, President M H Buckham gave a fine address answering the theory of Henry George that there is no right to private property in land. He referred to the history of the human race—to mankind in the savage, the pastoral and the civilized state—showing how the rights of property have been recognized in all ages. He deplored the fact that boys would leave the beautiful farms of Vermont to go into other occupations. E. P. Palmer spoke on the same topic.

Money to loan is plenty and cheap; yet farmers, and others in moderate circumstances, can rarely borrow without the intercention of a go-between and the payment of the full legal rate of six per cent. or more, after giving mortgage security. The money business, like that of many branches of manufacturing, is now nearly all done at the large shops. There is plenty of money to be loaned to wealthy corporations and to wealthy individuals at a very low rate. The state of Massachusetts has just borrowed half a million dollars at a rate netting the investors but a little more than 2½ per cent per annum.

It is not always a good principle, says the Farmers' Review, to get rid of a dairy cow just because she is old, or set down a fixed rule for the time at which each cow must give place to a younger female. On the contrary if the old cow is a good eater and gives a profit for what she consumes there is no reason why she should be got rid of. All of us know that some of these aged cows are the most persistent milkers and breeders and well worth retaining, while a young cow, if put in the place of the old one, is too often a failure comparatively speaking. If a profit is expected from feeding off the dairy cow for the butcher, that process must commence before the cow is aged, for dear food put into an old "alone" cow is lost, and at best old cow beef is not a very marketable commodity. It becomes a question, therefore, for the dairyman to decide at what stage in the life history of a cow she should be "dried off," or "fed off."

Farmers' Meetings.

Every farmer who can, whether old or young, should take time during the winter to attend the meetings of the state board of agriculture, the farmers' institutes that are held near him, and the meetings of the Grange or farmers' clubs, if any are held near him. Any or all of these will be found to furnish him some new ideas, some food for thought, some suggestions in regard to his work that may prove a help to him in future years. He will hear some ideas advanced which he does not believe; some which will bear a little investigation, and others which will so commend themselves to the knowledge he already has that he will adopt them at once. It may take some time, and cost some money, to get to these meetings, but he will usually find both to have been well spent.

Even less expensive and quite as important is the subscribing to one or more good agricultural newspapers. There is a farmers' meeting each week, which he can have at the cost of a half dime, or less, without neglecting his work or leaving his own fireside, and where he will get suggestions from a dozen, or perhaps a hundred, skilled farmers, gardeners, stock breeders or poultry raisers. And if some of them talk nonsense, or advance ideas that are not adapted to the location of the reader, he can find others that are valuable to him. At least he will be induced to think. If time or money cannot be spared to attend the meetings, or health will not allow, there is no reason why the newspaper should not be indulged in, a weekly visitor and aid.

Care of Horses.

The horses need more care at this season, even if used but little, than they do when at hard work in spring or fall. Their hair is long and it is more work to keep them properly groomed, so that the pores of the skin may be kept open for the passage of the insensible perspiration. When they are used enough to sweat, or when taken out in snow or rain, it is more work to dry them off, and yet if put into the stable while wet, and the stable is not very warm, the result may be (as it might be with a man who went to a cold bed in a wet coat) a cough, pneumonia or rheumatism. And they cannot be used much without the long hair around the legs and ankles getting filled with snow or mud, which if allowed to remain there is not only conducive to the above named diseases, but also to the scratches. Every horse should be thoroughly cleaned off after being used in the winter, more faithfully even, than he would be in the summer. It is not advisable to have farm horses clipped, as they are too often left to stand in the cold wind while the driver is attending to the business for which he has come out.

Do not neglect the shoes; see that they are provided with calks to prevent slipping, and if the horse is not used enough to loosen them, or to wear them out, they should be taken off and the hoof cut away just about as often as it would be done if the animal was kept at work. It is not an unusual thing to see horses stumbling along on misshapen feet, acquiring an awkward gait, and perhaps taking risk of straining the cords of the ankle or foreleg, simply because the shoes, not having worn out or become loose, the owner feels that it would be an extravagance to have them reset. They do not think of the possible injury to feet and legs by travelling upon a hoof that has grown out of shape.

The Department of Agriculture.

One of the most striking and instructive features of our country's industrial greatness, says a correspondent of the Germantown Telegraph, is the history of the Department of Agriculture since its establishment as a separate department in 1862. The munificent gift by Congress of 8,000,000 acres of the public lands was a fitting inauguration of the new era in agricultural education. Previous to that time it was only known as a bureau for the distribution of the different varieties of garden and field seeds. There were only a few employés at that time and they were employed mainly in the seed department. There are many editors of papers that have a wide circulation who still treat the subject as though no progress of any account had been made, and contempt and derision pervades nearly everything they write concerning it. An examination of the late report of the commissioner of agriculture ought to remove the prejudices from the minds of all reasonable men.

There are twenty separate and distinct branches in the department at the present time. Each branch has its head men, who are eminently qualified for their especial work. All that science achieves is spread broadcast over the land in agricultural papers, bulletins and special reports, and the handiest farmer, if he is intelligent, can equip himself with the latest discoveries and the best thoughts of the age. This knowledge does not relieve us of labor as labor saving machines do, but it enables us by intelligent and well-directed labor to accomplish our purpose by more certain and unerring plans.

The time was when the most successful farmer seemed to possess the maximum of muscle and the minimum of brains. The scope and realm of agricultural education seems to point plainly to an opposite state of affairs. A few years ago when Secretary Chamberlain, now president of Iowa agricultural college, visited the Chicago fat stock show, he found that nearly all the feeders and breeders of the fine stock on exhibition were familiar with the works of Charles Darwin. They were pursuing their work on a scientific basis, and were surprised at what they could do. Of course every farmer cannot become a chemist, a botanist, an entomologist, and so on, but the Agricultural Department and the experiment station place the result before him in a more precise and correct manner than he could hope to do, even if he knew the whole range of science. The department leaves him to grasp the point that fits his particular case and apply it with a long array of experiments and illustrations for his guide. Then let every farmer take a keen interest in the work of the different state and national aids to agriculture. The day of contempt for book learning has gone by, as is shown by the increased demand for agricultural reports. The members of the different state and national departments have had remarkable success in holding farmers' institutes, and the interest in these meetings is mainly due to their efforts.

THE VERMONT STATE GRANGE.

Business Transacted and Officers Elected at the Annual Meeting at Montpelier.

The 17th annual session of the Vermont state grange, Patrons of Husbandry, was held in Capitol hall, Montpelier, on Wednesday and Thursday of last week. At the opening session Master Messer gave his annual address to the members. After giving a comprehensive review of the progress of the order and the present condition of the farming interests of the state, Mr. Messer discussed successively the subject of commercial fertilizers, the establishment of the maple sugar exchange, and the state agricultural college. He dwelt at length upon the subject of transportation, and was particularly severe in his criticism of the failure of the late legislature to take action on the subject of unjust discrimination by rail road companies in the matter of free passes and inequality of rates. He recommended that the next legislature be elected on this question as a direct issue. The address was followed by the reports of retiring officers and from the delegates from the various granges represented. The reports showed the organization in general to be in a prosperous condition in the various towns of the state. In the evening the sixth degree was administered to a class of 22.

On Thursday the various standing committees on agriculture, education, finance, transportation, state press, good of the order, etc., presented their reports, and after a short evening session the grange adjourned. All the sessions were strictly secret, no one but members being admitted. The attendance was smaller than at the last annual meeting, but as it was nearly every one of the 56 subordinate granges was represented, and the meeting passed off successfully. At the closing session the following officers were elected: Master, Alpha Messer of Rochester; overseer, J. C. Newton of Brattleboro; lecturer, F. B. Pier of Jamaica; steward, A. C. Whitney of East Bethel; assistant steward, D. Davis of Chester; treasurer, C. J. Bell of East Hardwick; secretary, L. A. Flint of Montpelier; gatekeeper, G. M. Slack of Norwich; Ceres, Mrs. C. J. Bell of East Hardwick; Pomona, Mrs. J. C. Newton of Brattleboro; Flora, Mrs. Hart of Sharon; lady assistant, Mrs. DeWitt Davis of Chester; executive committee, Cassius Peck of Brookfield, F. B. Pier, Alpha Messer, L. A. Flint.

Holsteins for the Dairy.

We call the attention of our correspondent, Fred L. Houghton, to the following criticism of the article to which he replied in The Phœnix of last week. It appears in a later number of the same paper, the Stockman, from which Jason Jones's article was copied. We have no special interest for or against any particular breed of cattle, but aim to give the current opinion of the merits or demerits of each. In doing this we never intentionally admit any misstatement of facts, and we are pleased to have Mr. Houghton correct what appears to be erroneous in the article which we copied.

It is true that the Holstein Friesian cattle have been growing rapidly into public favor of late years, and we have given many items that have tended to show that fact. The Jerseys have their special merits as butter cows. This is generally acknowledged. If the Holsteins are now being bred so as to equal the Jerseys in the quality of their milk for butter, while they give more of it, that is good for the Holsteins. But there are very good and very poor cows among all the different breeds. For our use we should prefer a good cow of an untraceable breed to a poor cow with the most distinguished pedigree.

C. H. Baker of Otsego, N. Y., in reply to Jason Jones, defends the Holsteins as follows:

It is with no small amount of reluctance that I venture to reply to Jason Jones in the Stockman of November 29th, in regard to the Holsteins for dairy cows. One not familiar with Holsteins, and dependent on the opinion of some prejudiced person, would naturally infer from Mr. Jones's article that the Holsteins were not of any use in a butter dairy, and only fit for the milkman, who only cared for the quarts, regardless of the quality. The impression that he makes is very unfair, taking perhaps the report of the best Guernseys and Ayrshires and the poorest Holsteins to found his article on. I have some grade Holsteins, and they have made a test of "stand up" in butter equal to his Ayrshires or Guernseys. I made a test last winter of a three-years old three fourths bred Holstein that gave 28 to 30 pounds of milk which made 22 to 23 ounces of butter a day. And this was not for one day, but for weeks in succession. I have others that will do still better, taking their occasional test as a guide for a week or a month. If my memory serves me correctly, there are more Holsteins that have produced one hundred pounds of butter in a month, or twenty pounds in a week, than of all other breeds put together, during the time that Holsteins have been successfully bred in this country.

The old belief that Holsteins gave nothing but skim milk, only fit to feed pigs, has long since died away in the public mind, and the demand for them is greater than for any other breed, I think, and at better prices.

Curing Pork.

The meat is not fit for salting until free from animal heat, and yet it should not be frozen in the least, as this condition prevents the salt penetrating it. Cover the bottom of the barrel with salt to the depth of three inches, then pack the strips of pork in circles, the rind facing the barrel, but with a deposition of salt intervening and a stratum of salt upon each layer of pork. When the middlings are salted prepare a brine sufficient to well cover the pork, using all the water that will dissolve. Bring to the boil, skim, and when cold pour over the salt pork. A well-adjusted cover is a necessary part of a pork barrel.

Trim the hams and rub them over with salt to extract the blood. In two days apply the following pickle: One and one-half pounds of salt and a pound of brown sugar to each gallon of water, and an ounce of saltpetre to 100 pounds of meat; bring to a boil, skim, and pour over when cold. Hams should remain in the pickle from four to six weeks. In packing, don't let them press against each other; they are likely to taint at the bone before becoming thoroughly salted. Those skilled in the curing of hams remove them from one barrel to another twice a week until the curing is completed to prevent tainting at the bone.—*Farming World [English.]*

Saltpetre if used in considerable quantity is a poison, and some writers condemn its use for curing meat. It is not probable, however, that the quantity recommended above would be harmful, though it would change the color and texture of all the lean meat in the barrel. More than an ounce to a hundred pounds it would hardly be safe to use.

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Cutting Straw for Use as Feed.

The nutritive value of straw is low compared with clover and timothy hay, but the straw nevertheless takes away from the soil a large portion of the mineral matter essential in growing a crop. It robs the soil of some substances—more so than does the grain, and unless the straw is returned to the soil in some manner it will in time cause lack of fertility just as assuredly as will the growing crops that are more salable. Straw does not decompose very rapidly when thrown on the manure heap in the shape of coarse bedding, owing to the abundance of silica it contains, and, in consequence, its return of the elements again to the soil is very slow.

Cattle will not eat straw if they can get something better, but they will eat it readily if it is prepared and balanced so as to render it a suitable food for meeting the necessary demands of the system. What is meant by balancing it is to add those essential substances that are lacking in the straw itself. All classes of stock require bulky food, and if cattle are fed wholly on grain the straw will become a welcome luxury. To render straw of the most service it should first be cut into short lengths, moistened with warm water and sprinkled with ground grain. In this condition it will be an economical food for steers. Some writers recommend the mixing of cut hay and straw, but if this is done the cattle will pick it over, select the cut hay and waste the straw. It is better to feed straw without hay, making it a special meal at certain times allowing hay at other periods.

Even when straw is utilized for bedding purposes it is better to cut it, for the reason that it can be more easily cleaned from the stalls, it will more readily absorb liquids, and will decompose much sooner than when thrown on the manure heap in bulk. Added to this is the advantage of having it in a fine condition for handling and distribution when it is hauled out to the fields in the spring. Any food that serves as a variety benfits the animal more than its real value as food, because the change and variety promotes health and increases the appetite; and when the bedding is such as to keep the stalls dry by absorbing the moisture, the warmth of the stalls is increased. It pays to cut the straw, because by so doing there will be a saving of more expensive food, and the labor of cutting it will be repaid in the benefits derived by the use of the straw. If properly prepared for stock, straw can be made a very valuable product of the farm.

Frosty Hits.

No one who has to do with horses when the mercury is considerably below the freezing point, but has witnessed their sometimes almost frantic efforts to escape the pain that comes of putting on the bridle. Misunderstanding it many times the brutal hostler adds blows, and forces the animal to take between its jaws a piece of iron that freezes its tongue and sections of its mouth the moment it touches them, causing not only present pain, but often ulceration, and almost always sores. The preventive is a leathern bit. If this is not easily procured, a common iron one can be covered. To do this, cover the bit with strips of common bridle leather, and as much of the cheek piece as will be likely to touch the flesh, winding them around the iron while wet, and then carefully sewing the edges so as to make the surface smooth as possible. A real mouthpiece can be made by any harness maker at small cost, and would be altogether preferable to the covered one, as it can be taken from the headstall and cheek rein, and replaced by the iron when cold weather is passed, and be kept in readiness for another winter.—*Our Dumb Animals.*

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Legal Notices.

STATE OF VERMONT, Marlboro SS.

By the Probate Court for said District.

To all persons interested in the estate of LESTINA L. THURBER, late of Guilford in said district, deceased. Greeting.

You are hereby notified that this court will decide on the allowance of the account of J. Henry Richmond, Executor of the last will of said deceased, and decree distribution thereof to the persons entitled, at a session thereof to be held at the Probate Office in Brattleboro, on the last Saturday of December, A. D. 1888, when and where you may be heard the premises, if you see cause.

50 E. W. STODDARD, Register.

STATE OF VERMONT, Marlboro SS.

The Probate Court for said District.

To all persons interested in the estate of JOSEPH E. JACOBS, late of Guilford, deceased. Greeting.

You are hereby notified that this court will decide upon the allowance of the account of J. Henry Richmond, Administrator upon the estate of Joseph E. Jacobs, late of Guilford in said district, deceased, and decree distribution to the persons entitled at a session thereof to be held at the Probate Office in Brattleboro, in said District, on the last Saturday of December, 1888, when and where you may appear and be heard in the premises if you see cause.

50 E. W. STODDARD, Register.

STATE OF VERMONT, Marlboro SS.

By the Probate Court for said District.

To all persons interested in the estate of MARY B. WHEELER, late of Whitingham in said District, deceased. Greeting.

Whereas CYRUS TEMPLE has presented to this Court an instrument purporting to be the last Will of said deceased, for probate: You are hereby notified that this Court will decide upon the probate of said instrument at a session thereof to be held at the Probate Office in Brattleboro, in said district, on the last Saturday of December, A. D. 1888, when and where you may appear and contest the same, if you see cause.

50 E. W. STODDARD, Register.

STATE OF VERMONT, Westminster SS.

The Probate Court for said District.

To all persons interested in the Estate of FRANCIS E. PLUMB, of Townshend in said district, deceased. Greeting.

You are hereby notified that Ellen M. Plumb, Administratrix upon the said estate has made application to this court for license to sell the whole of the real estate of said deceased, for the payment of debts and charges of administration, and that the court will decide upon said application at a session thereof to be held at the Probate Office in Bellows Falls on the 1st Saturday of January, A. D. 1889, when and where you may be heard in the premises, if you shall see cause. 50 C. B. EDDY, Register.

STATE OF VERMONT, Marlboro SS.

By the Probate Court for said District.

To all persons interested in the estate of CHAS. W. BOND, late of Guilford in said district, deceased. Greeting.

You are hereby notified that this Court will decide upon the allowance of the account of SAMUEL A. CLARK, Executor of the last will of said deceased, and decree distribution thereof to the persons entitled, at the session thereof to be held at the Probate office in Brattleboro, in said District, on the last Saturday of December, A. D. 1888, when and where you may be heard in the premises, if you see cause. E. W. STODDARD, Register.

STATE OF VERMONT, Marlboro SS.

The Probate Court for said District.

To all persons interested in the estate of CARLINE E. EASON, late of Brattleboro in said district, deceased. Greeting.

You are hereby notified that this court will decide upon the allowance of the account of G. A. Boyden, Administrator upon the Estate of Carline E. Eason, late of Brattleboro in said district, deceased, and decree distribution thereof to the persons entitled thereto at a session of said court to be held at the Probate Office in Brattleboro on the last Saturday of June, 1888, when and where you may be heard in the premises, if you see cause. 49 E. W. STODDARD, Register.

STATE OF VERMONT, Marlboro SS.

The Probate Court for said District.

To all persons interested in the estate of EBEN EZER WISWELL, late of Brattleboro in said district, deceased. Greeting.

Whereas JOHN E. HARRIS has presented to this Court an instrument purporting to be the last Will of said deceased, for probate: You are hereby notified that this Court will decide upon the probate of said instrument at the session to be held at the Probate Office in Brattleboro, in said District, on the last Saturday of December, A. D. 1888, when and where you may appear and contest the same, if you see cause.

49 E. W. STODDARD, Register.

STATE OF VERMONT, Westminster SS.

The Probate Court in and for said District.

To all persons interested in the estate of WILLIAM R. STEWART, late of the city, county and state of New York, deceased. Greeting.

Whereas E. L. WATERMAN has presented to this Court an instrument purporting to be a certified copy of the last will of said deceased, and of the probate thereof by the Surrogate's Court for the city, county and state of New York for probate and allowance to this court. You are hereby notified that this court will decide upon the probate of said instrument at the Probate Office in Bellows Falls in said district, on the first Saturday of January, A. D. 1889, when and where you may appear and contest the same if you see cause.

50 C. B. EDDY, Register.

STATE OF VERMONT, Marlboro SS.

The Probate Court for said District.

To all persons interested in the estate of LUCY L. KNIGHT, late of Brattleboro, deceased. Greeting.

Whereas ALMON B. GIBBS has presented to this court an instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased for probate: You are hereby notified that this court will decide upon the probate of said instrument at a session thereof to be held at the Probate Office in Brattleboro, in said district, on the last Saturday of December, 1888, when and where you may appear and contest the same, if you see cause.

50 E. W. STODDARD, Register.

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

ESTATE OF SIDNEY S. MILLER.

The undersigned having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Marlboro commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against the estate of SIDNEY S. MILLER, late of Vernon, in said district, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose aforesaid at the late residence of said deceased on the 20th day of December and 20th day of April, next, from two o'clock P. M. until four o'clock P. M., on each of said days, and that six months from the 20th day of November, A. D. 1888, is the time limited by said court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

Dated at said Vernon, this 1st day of December, A. D. 1888.

F. W. JOHNSON, ERASTUS TYLER, Commissioners.

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COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

ESTATE OF OLIVE SARGEANT.

The undersigned having been appointed by the Hon. Probate Court for the District of Marlboro Commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Olive Sargeant, late of Brattleboro, in said district, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose aforesaid, at William S. Newton's office on the second Mondays of January and May next, from two o'clock P. M. until four o'clock P. M., on each of said days, and that six months from the 8th day of November, A. D. 1888, is the time limited by said court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

Dated at Brattleboro this 8th day of Dec., 1888.

WILLIAM S. NEWTON, HARVEY HOUGHTON, Commissioners.

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COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

ESTATE OF SAMUEL S. MAY.

The undersigned having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Marlboro Commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against the estate of SAMUEL S. MAY, late of Dover, in said district, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose aforesaid at the dwelling house lately occupied by deceased in Dover, on the first Saturday of January next, and first Saturday of May next, from one o'clock P. M. until four o'clock P. M., on each of said days, and that six months from the twenty-fourth day of November, 1888, is the time limited by said court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

Dated at Wilmington, this 7th day of Dec., '88.

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