

DAIRY NOTES

The Dairyman Not a Beefmaker.

It is not the business of the dairyman to make beef, though some of them seem to think that beef is a by-product of the dairy. It has been shown by figures again and again that the man that tries to produce cows that will be good dairy cows and at the same time furnish a good carcass of beef is sure to make less out of his dairy operations than he would if the opposite course were followed. The men that talk about having a good carcass to the cow, so that it can be sold for beef, must remember that the cow is not likely to be sold for beef till she has finished her career as a dairy cow, and perhaps at the end of ten or fifteen years, and then her flesh would be too tough for good beef no matter what kind of a frame she might have.

Is it to be supposed that any buyer of beef cattle would pay very much for an old tough cow? Would he pay much for a steer that was ten years or more old? The tender beef is what brings a good price, and the tender beef is made on a young carcass. The time element is an important consideration in the making of beef, and the constant practice of beef-makers is to reduce it, putting the beef animal on the market at as young an age as possible. The high price of corn makes the fattening of the old cow too expensive to be much of an inducement. Corn now can hardly be bought at any time of year for less than 50 cents per bushel, and that will only make five pounds of beef gain on a steer that is bred from a long line of meat-making ancestors. He will make far more gain than will the old cow. Yet with him every pound of gain made on corn costs ten cents and will have to be sold for half of that. The average old cow would probably make not more than four pounds of gain on a bushel of corn, which would mean a cost of twelve cents per pound, and she would not bring more than four cents per pound in the market, and often not over three.

The disadvantage of trying to make beef from a dairy cow is apparent, and when we consider that a man has paid a good sum every year to carry along the extra weight of carcass, we see that he is sure to lose money in the attempt.

Build an Icehouse.

Summer is the time to get ready for winter, and now is when the icehouse should be constructed. There are a few things that must be carefully looked after in the construction of this house. One of these is drainage. Good drainage is necessary, for if the water rises with the melting of the ice the loss to the ice supply will be very great. Ice melts many times faster in water than in air, and faster in moving air than in air that is held in place by the sawdust or other isolating material.

The walls of the icehouse should be firmly built, as there is danger that they will bulge out if they are not strong. The lateral pressure is not as great as with silage, but is considerable if the ice is not carefully packed. Sometimes the ice falls apart and lurches to the side of the house, and then the strain is very great. We have seen small ice houses on farms that were only two-thirds filled with ice, because the sides of the house had bulged so the owners were afraid to put in a full supply. Sometimes permanent props may be made, as with the large commercial icehouses. A double air space will help to keep the temperature low and prevent wasting the ice. The house should be as near the cube as possible, as this will give the largest possible space for the least possible material.

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First Mention of Cigars.

In the "Distresses and Adventures of John Cockburn" (London, 1740), the earliest mention of cigars occurs. Cockburn was put on a desert island in the bay of Honduras, swam to the mainland and traveled thence on foot to Porto Bello, a distance of 2,600 miles. He appears to have met some friars, who gave him some "seegars to smoke, which they supposed would be very acceptable."

Golden Hue in Butter.

Consumers of butter at Springfield, Mass., who have recently noticed the unwonted golden hue of the article, are puzzled over one dealer's statement that an unusual crop of dandelions in Vermont and western Massachusetts is responsible for it, and the explanation of a less poetic dealer that it is probably due to a greater use of coloring matter by the dairymen.

Britons to Retain Lance.

The British War Department has reconsidered its resolution to abolish the lance as a cavalry weapon. It is said to have been "the only thing used by the troops in South Africa that inspired the enemy with fear."

Motherly Advice.

"Come!" cried the mother of the peevish little bull pup, "you can't mend matters by whining, can you?" "Maybe not," sniffed the little pup. "Then," said his mother, "if not, whine not."

Nickname for Diplomat.

Baron Speck von Sternburg, German ambassador, is the only member of the diplomatic corps who can boast the popular distinction of a nickname. He is known as "Speck."

EVER TREAT YOU SO?

Coffee Acts the Jonah and Will Come Up.

A clergyman who pursues his noble calling in a country parish in Iowa, tells of his coffee experience:

"My wife and I used coffee regularly for breakfast, frequently for dinner and occasionally for supper—always the very best quality—package coffee never could find a place on our table.

"In the spring of 1896 my wife was taken with violent vomiting which we had great difficulty in stopping.

"It seemed to come from coffee drinking but we could not decide.

"In the following July, however, she was attacked a second time by the vomiting. I was away from home filling an appointment, at the time, and on my return I found her very low; she had literally vomited herself almost to death, and it took some days to quiet the trouble and restore her stomach.

"I had also experienced the same trouble, but not so violently, and had relieved it, each time, by a resort to medicine.

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