

The Farmers' Column.

Converting Straw into Manure.

A correspondent of the Western Rural, at Hillsdale, Mich., gives the following as his mode of converting straw into a fertilizer:

As I have had a great deal of trouble with that matter and have finally succeeded to my entire satisfaction, allow me to give my plan also.

My barn has an underground cellar, the yard side on a level with the cellar bottom and sloping back from the barn. On that side of the barn are sliding doors 14 feet wide. When threshing, a stack is made a little wider than the doors, as high as convenient and running back as far as necessary. Last Fall about three feet of straw was first spread over the cellar bottom for a bedding for the cattle, and also to save the manure and also to be ground fine by the treading of the cattle. Twice during the Winter I had the stack cut down and straw fed abundantly over the cellar and afterward about the yard

Then the straw stack, which was bright and good, was with the cattle and colts, and work horses when idle, and the weather not too cold (for they delight to run in the yard), and they soon began to eat all around the stack. About once each week a strong brine was made, and with a wisp of straw was thrown over the sides of the stack. In this way I believe three-fourths of the straw was eaten. The little that was finally left at the bottom of the stack was thrown into the cellar to be trodden down. I believe not one handful of straw one foot long can be found in the yard It is all well rotted, and soon to be spread over and plowed into a fallow. By rotting in that way, cattle will pull out and eat most of it if the straw is good. It doubly pays the work for bedding.

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The Use of Lime.

From an article on lime and its chemical advantages to agriculture, by a Mr. Cameron, we extract the following, from the Southern Agriculturist:

The action of lime is two fold; first, physical, and second, chemical. As a mechanical agent it opens stiff clays, rendering them friable, mellow and more easily worked chemically, it acts upon the vegetable matter of the soil, and sets free those stores of valuable substances which, without the action of this agent, must have remained inert and useless. It also enters directly into the composition of plants, and in many varieties forms a large proportion of the weight of their inorganic constituents. It neutralizes acids which are often present in soils, rendering them useful to vegetation, instead of being positively injurious, which they are in their original state.

The existence of water in the soil, however, effects action of lime very considerably. If the land is wet and undrained, lime will not exert the same influence which it would do in the case of thoroughly drained land. A greater quantity of lime is necessary to produce a given effect, and thus the neglect of thorough drainage entails a considerably greater expenditure in liming than would have been necessary if the land was either naturally or artificially dry.

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Agriculture and Agricultural Journals.

The following sensible remarks are from the Richmond Whig:

In view of the progress and developments in agriculture, it has now become absolutely necessary for the intelligent farmer to keep himself thoroughly posted therein. We know that the cost of a well-supplied agricultural library, or even of the larger publications separately, is an impediment, if not a barrier, in the way of a great many, but happily for all such, valuable periodicals are published monthly in all sections of the country especially devoted to the interesss of the farmer, and at such moderate rates that few, if any engaged in the cultivation of the soil, can honestly declare their inability to meet the required outlay in view of the great benefits they will and must necessarily reap from their perusal.

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How to Save your Shoe Soles.—It consists merely in melting together tallow and common rosin, in the proportion of two parts of the former to one part of the latter, and applying the preparation (hot) to the soles of the boots or shoes—as much of it as the leather will absorb. One farmer declares that this little recipe alone has been worth more than five years subscription to the newspaper publishing it.

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The best Grass for Butter.

The Valley Farmer says that if you aim at a great flow of milk, feed clover; if you wish rich milk, and well-flavored butter, feed young timothy and white clover; if you aim at the best results, both in quantity and quality of butter, feed on fresh pastures of white clover and timothy in summer, and early cut timothy and wheat bran in winter. The grass must be cut when heading out; or better, young aftermath well cured. Avoid roots and garden stuff in general, if you wish a good quality of butter—though it is now held that those fed while milking or immediately before, he will remedy the evil.

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About Milking.

Five per cent., and perhaps ten, can be added to the amount of milk obtained from the cows of this country, if the following rules are inexorably followed:

1st. Never hurry cows, in driving to and from the pasture.

2d. Milk as near at equal intervals as possible. Half-past five in the morning and six at night are good hours.

3d. Be especially tender of the cow at milking-time.

4th. When seated, draw the milk as rapidly as possible, being certain to always get it all.

5th Never talk or think of anything beside what you are doing while milking.

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July 23, 1870—y.

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August 20, 1870—6m.

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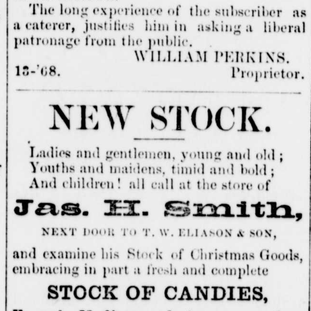
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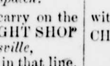
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Chestertown, Jan. 8, 1870—tf.

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THE undersigned hereby gives notice to the Tax Payers of the Fourth Election District that he is now rrady to receive Taxes, due, for the year 1870.

He may be found in Chestertown every TUESDAY and SATURDAY until further notice, and hopes that all tax payers will be prompt in their settlements, thus saving trouble and expense.

WM. A. THOMAS.

July 23, 1870—3m.

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RECEIVES and sells on Commission Green and Dried Fruits, Vegetables, Poultry, Eggs, Live Stock, Hides, &c., &c.

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Baltimore, June 4, 1870—6m

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