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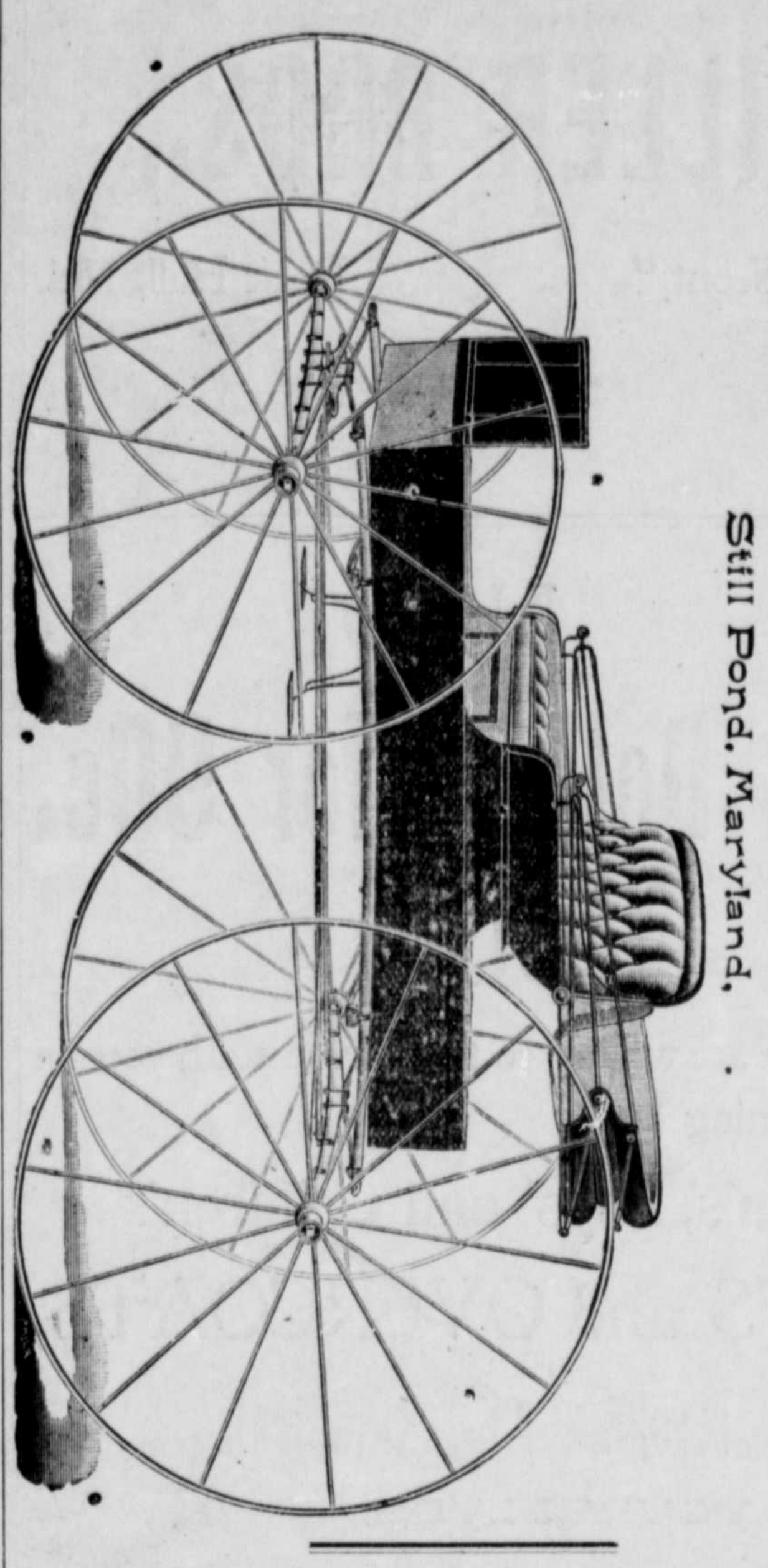
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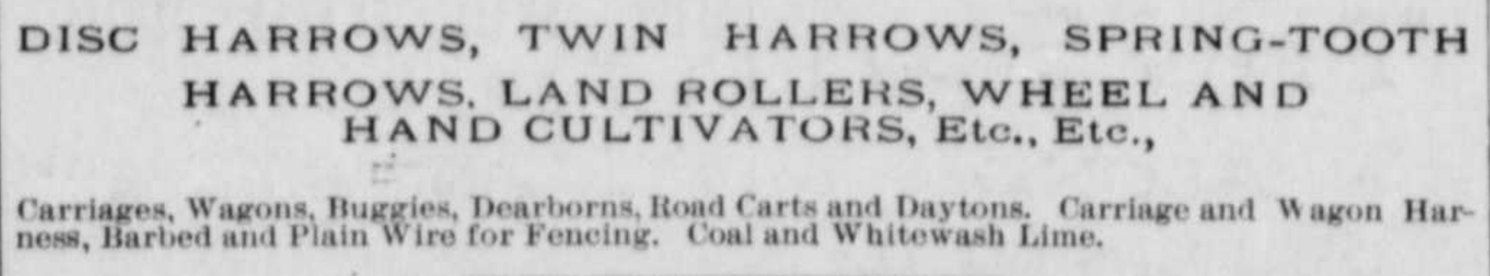
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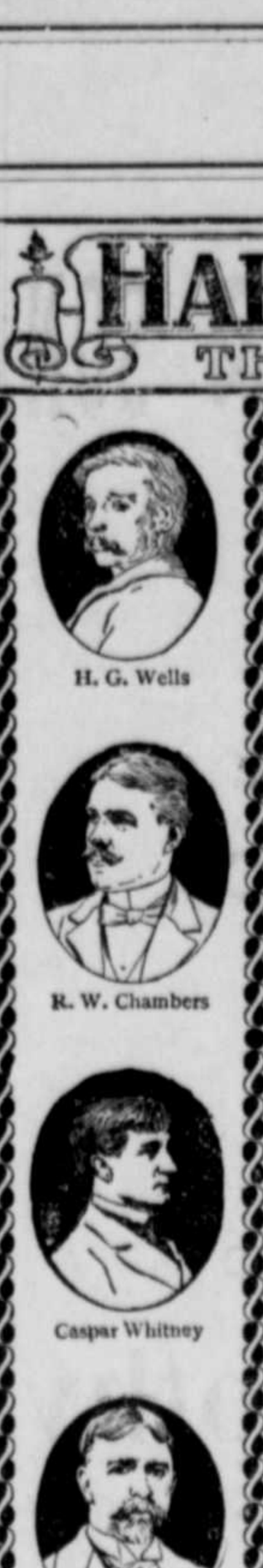
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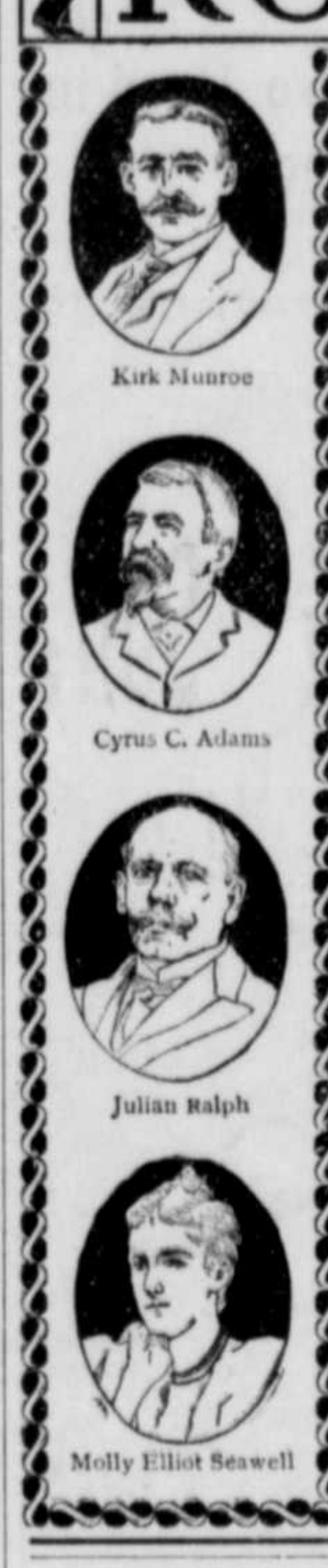
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"About four years ago the cruiser on which I was serving shipped a boiler maker while we were on the Mediterranean station," said a Washington chief petty officer of the navy, now on leave of absence. "Our former boiler maker's time expired while we were at Gibraltar, and as he was not in good physical shape he wasn't re-enlisted, but took his discharge and returned to the United States by mail steamer. So the ship was shy a boiler maker, a very important and necessary petty officer down below in the engineer's department, and when the ship pulled into Naples harbor the chief engineer went ashore to see if he couldn't dig up a boiler maker.

"There's a clause in the enlistment regulations permitting commanding officers to ship necessary men on foreign stations in short handed emergencies. The chief engineer brought back to the ship a Greek named Charlie Maro. The man couldn't speak any English—to speak of—but he was a good man at the boiler making business, and he was duly shipped aboard of us for three years. He was a wild, hairy looking lot, Maro was, and he got a good deal of a laugh at the hands of the crew, especially the younger fellows, from the time he first came over the side.

"Maro thought that there wasn't any other country on the map except Greece. He thought that the 'Greeka man' was the hottest kind of a tamale when it came to scrapping by land or sea, and after he got hold of enough English to make himself understood he used to take some of the young apprentice boys up into the eyes of the ship and tell them with many gesticulations and furious words of the different kinds of tar Greece would knock out of Turkey if the two countries ever came to an open rupture.

"The ship was around on the Pacific station when the war broke out between Greece and Turkey. When the news of the outbreak of the war got to Maro, our boiler maker, he nearly had heart disease and a whole lot of other sudden things from pure excitement. He just couldn't hold himself in, he looked so tickled.

"'Da Greeka man willa bim! bim! bim! da Turka man,' was Charlie Maro's way of putting it, and he didn't see that the Turk had a ghost of a show. All hands forward encouraged him in the belief. They all acquiesced in expressing the belief to Maro that Greece would simply eat Turkey up. Then a bo'sun's mate who knew how to crack the most impossible kind of steers with a face as solemn and wooden as an Indian's took Charlie in hand and told him some things. He told Maro that the United States was so much in sympathy with Greece in the struggle with Turkey that the navy department had decided to turn over all of the ships of the American navy to Greek commanders.

"'Here's a big chance for you, Maro,' the bo'sun's mate told Maro. 'You just want to work your edge. Here you are already shipped on this cruiser, and it's dollars to doughnuts that if you ask for the command of this ship in order to take her over to Greece to mix it up with the Turks you'll get it hands down. Better try it on.'

"That idea impressed Maro a heap. He asked the bo'sun's mate whom he'd have to apply to to get command of the cruiser.

"'Why, to the commanding officer, of course,' was the reply.

"Maro was tremendously important for a day or so while he let this huge idea grow within him, and he bullied the men detailed to work with him down below in the boiler room a good deal. The bos'n's mate kept working him up to it, and finally Maro appeared on deck one morning togged out in his very best mustering suit of bluejacket clothes and went up to the officer of the deck and asked permission to see the commanding officer at the mast. The officer of the deck was rather surprised to see the man all done up in his mustering togs when all hands were at work, but, as he is obliged to do when an enlisted man requests permission to see the commanding officer, he sent word to the skipper, who soon emerged from his cabin and appeared at 'the stick.'

"'Well, my man?' said the skipper to Maro, who stood bolt upright and saluted with a flourish.

"'Sare,' said Maro to the skipper, 'I have-a da honor to her-a-by taka da command of a da ship.'

"'Hey?' said the commanding officer, putting his hand to his ear and looking as if he hadn't heard aright.

"'Da ship,' repeated Maro. 'For-a da navee of-a Hellas—da Greeka navee—I hava da honor to taka da command.'

"All hands among the enlisted men were up on the to'gallant fo'c'sle taking the thing in, and they broke into a roar that you could have heard five cable lengths' distance. Maro heard it, and, suspecting that his confidence had been abused, got red and flabbergasted. He suddenly bolted for the engine room hatch and made his way below, and it took three marines to drag him aft to the sick bay, where the surgeon, at the skipper's command, gave Maro a half hour's examination as to his sanity. Maro was game enough to decline to give the name of the enlisted man who had told him he was eligible for the command of the ship upon its being 'turned into the navy of Greece,' but the thrashing he gave that bos'n's mate when he got him 'on the beach' was certainly savage."—Washington Star.

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The rest God speaks of is not the alternative of something else, but the quality which marks the highest attainment of the human soul.—Dr. Storrs, Congregationalist, Brooklyn.

The Christian's Peace.

The true secret of the Christian's peace is that the sorrows of the past and future are stripped from him and he is given the present, which is always tolerable.—Dr. Frank Crane, Methodist, Chicago.

Do All Things Heartily.

Let every Christian do his part in civil life as a Christian, doing all things heartily as unto the Lord and not as unto men, and the conduct of affairs in the state will soon be more in line with the laws of God.—Rev. J. H. Webster, Presbyterian, Philadelphia.

Natural Law.

The reign of natural law is acknowledged, but there seems to be an impression that moral law may be violated with impunity. It will be learned eventually that the consequences of breaking moral law are not to be ignored.—Rev. J. N. Beard, Methodist, San Francisco.

Time For Action.

There is a time for action as well as prayer. The man who prays and fails to work for the end desired may be disappointed. Do not live too much in the past, but turn your eyes forward that you may make progress in God's work.—Rev. A. Remington, Presbyterian, Boston.

Trust In the Lord.

When Jesus came near the disciples walking on the waves, they did not know him and were alarmed. So in the midst of our trials we sometimes fail to recognize the hand of our divine Master. If we only knew that God's hand was in it all and that he as surely loves us as he did his lone disciples on the sea, it would give us hope and fill us with courage.—Rev. Mr. Winship, Methodist, Cheyenne, Wy.

Religious Unity.

Religious unity teaches us to believe that out of the blocks of time the rising walls of eternity are being shaped; that through struggle, disappointment and sorrow earthly pilgrims must push on, now halting in caves of doubt, now climbing cross crowned heights, but ever finding their way to the tablelands of unhedged fellowship whereon is builded the city of light.—Rev. Jenkins L. Jones, Unitarian, Chicago.

Equal Burden For Man.

I insist that society's safeguard lies in forcing by public opinion the burden of weight equally upon the shoulders of the culpable man as upon the culpable woman. In the spirit of that Jesus whose teachings a vast portion of mankind honors I plead for charity, for forgiveness and tender helpfulness to the woman who errs. I sincerely hope that the moral blindness of society will be so heroically treated it will soon be cured.—Rev. Henry Frank, Methodist, New York.

What Religion Means.

Religion means that you must ask blessings upon your home and help to rear your children that your boys may become great, good men and your girls splendid women. It means that you must be good and charitable, not in order to get the praise and applause of the observer, but because those qualities make you like God. If you are a Christian, you must try to reproduce God's beautiful moral features of character. You may have little success, but you will know that you are man or woman enough to try.—Rev. Father Magevny, Catholic, Omaha.

Christian Heroes.

The Christian Endeavorer who will have done with lies and compromises is a hero; the Endeavorer who will be true to his best insight is a hero; the Endeavorer who will follow Jesus Christ wherever he goes, through the home, the church and the state, is a hero; the Endeavorer who will look the devil in the face and tell him he is a devil is a hero; the Endeavorer who will stand up for Jesus in the marts of trade, in the halls of state, in social walk, and not flinch or surrender one iota of God's truth, is a hero.—Rev. Dr. Stephen A. Northrop, Baptist, Kansas City.

The Thoughtful.

The disputations of theologians and theology do not command the attention or hold the respect of the thoughtful.—Rev. J. L. Jones, Unitarian, Chicago.

The Family and the Church.

Whatever destroys the family necessarily sweeps away the church and the state, and whatever upholds it gives permanence and grandeur to the others.—Rev. George B. Vosburgh, Denver.

Men's Best Happiness.

God offers men the best happiness, and this implies that he does not approve of all happiness. Hands full of dirt must be emptied before they can be filled with jewels.—Dr. Frank Crane, Methodist, Chicago.

Joyous Christianity.

Christ came not to hush the laughter of innocent joy, but to fill our mouths with laughter and set all the joy bells ringing round the whole world and up to the gates of glory.—Rev. P. S. Henson, Baptist, Chicago.

God's Idea.

The idea of God holds a very large place in human life. It matters not how we got this idea. We have it and live in it. The idea emerges whenever we get at the conception of truth.—Dr. Patton, Methodist, Princeton, N. J.

Spiritual Purpose.

There is nothing more important than to have a spiritual purpose, to know why you have it and to be sure that it will pay you to make any sacrifice for its accomplishment.—Rev. George H. Hepworth, Congregationalist, New York.

America a World Power.

From the seed long ago planted on this continent have been produced the highest types of manhood and womanhood the world has ever seen. That is what makes America a world power.—Rev. Dr. George C. Lorimer, Baptist, Boston.

Divine Calling.

The minister who has a true conception of his calling will not measure his success with the common standard of worldly renown, but, faithfully pursuing his divine calling, will strive to work acceptably to the Father of all.—Rev. C. G. Spieker, Lutheran, Scranton, Pa.

Love of Nature.

The universe is God's temple, and those who are alive to this thought cannot lift their eyes without feeling themselves encompassed with God. An infinite joy is lost to the world by want of the culture of the love of nature.—Rev. Dr. Madison C. Peters, Reformed,

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DAIRY TALK.

Some Old Methods Compared With Modern Practices.

I was taught in my younger days, writes Waldo F. Brown in "Land and a Living," that the shallower milk could be set the better the cream would be, and my mother always used shallow pans with flaring sides, so as to expose as large a surface as possible to the air, and she thought that three inches was as deep as milk ought to be set. I had also read that milk must be left open, exposed to the air until perfectly cool, so as to get rid of the "animal odor," and if shut up from the air while warm it would become putrid. For many years I accepted these statements without question, but many years ago I began to read and hear about "deep setting" of milk, and on my trip to the centennial in 1876 I fell in company with some dairymen who were practicing it and became so convinced of its superiority that I determined to adopt it and have ever since followed the plan of deep setting and would not on any account go back to the old method.

When I began deep setting, I had a contract to furnish 50 pounds of butter a week to a Cincinnati hotel, and I used tin cans 20 inches deep and 8 inches in diameter, holding about four gallons each. Since we have given up the dairy business and only keep cows for family use we do not want so much milk in one vessel, and have cut our cans in two, making them 10 inches deep instead of 20. The advantage of these cans is that they present so much surface to the water that the temperature of the milk can be rapidly reduced to the desired point, and they can be used either with ice or in water, and if one has an abundant supply of cold spring or well water no ice will be needed. The lid is made an inch larger in diameter than the can and deep enough so that when dropped over the can it will extend down half the length of the can. We make them of this size because we always wish to have the water deep enough to seal the can so as to keep out all insects and also to make it airtight so that no impurities in the air can affect the milk, and as sometimes your cans will not be full of milk they will float, if the water is higher in them than the milk, and if the lid only extends down one-third of the length of the can, you could not seal a can that was only half full of milk. For convenience in handling these cans each one should be provided with a bail, and there should also be a handle at one side, put on where it will be right to take hold of to tilt the can to empty it. These cans are lighter to handle and easier to wash than the earthen crocks so generally used for setting milk, and as this plan saves carrying the milk down and up the cellar stairs it is much easier than the old plan of shallow setting of milk. For many years we have kept our milk for about eight months of the year in a tank within a foot of the pump spout of the well and so arranged that all the waste water of the well runs through the trough, and no inclosed dairy house is needed, as it is impossible for dog, cat, fly or gnat to disturb a can of water sealed milk. The water should be changed twice a day, or in excessively hot weather three times, and even in cold weather the water should be changed every two or three days, as it will become foul if left too long in the tank.

Winter Food For Milk Cows.

Good ensilage, of course, is the best, but if the silo has been neglected the animals must be fed on something else that will give nearly the same results. Where clover hay can be obtained at $9 or less per ton it should form an important part of the daily ration. This would form the bulk of the coarse food and furnish the animals with protein and carbohydrates. Clover hay properly cured contains plenty of nourishment, but much of it is lacking in the right essentials through ignorant handling. In securing the hay consequently not a little emphasis should be placed upon its quality. If too chippy and brittle, it is a pretty good sign that it is rather inferior in nourishing qualities. Good oats in the sheaf make excellent milk cow feed for winter. Good sheaf oats can be purchased from $10 per ton upward, and at this price they make an excellent investment. The average sheaf oats would turn out from 30 to 40 per cent grain and 60 to 70 per cent straw. Upon this basis the grain and straw would supply rather more carbohydrates than protein. Likewise good corn stover would show this same lack of proportion between the two food elements. Now, a pound of protein is worth in value about two pounds of the carbohydrates. But it will not make that much difference to the cows, and consequently it is better to feed more carbohydrates proportionately than protein. The latter can be given in greater quantities in such foods as cornmeal, malt sprouts, cottonseed meal and other grains. The relative high price of these foods should not exclude them entirely from the cow's bill of fare. During the cold weather the animals need food rich in protein, and it is only by not stinting them in the grains that the best results are obtained. In the end, if other things are equal and the cows receive excellent all round care, rich feeding will pay.—C. S. Walters in Boston Cultivator.

Losing Valuable Time.



The Amateur Chicken Raiser (in disgust)—Just look at all these darn hens standing around doing nothing!—New York Journal.

An Omission.

Fair Critic—Yes, that's sweetly pretty, but you've made one mistake. Don't you see where I mean?

Artist—N-no, I can't quite say that I do. You don't think—

Fair Critic—How did the boys get up in the tree?

Artist—Why, they climbed there!

Fair Critic—Of course they did! But, silly boy, you haven't drawn any ladder!—Judy.

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