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AMONG THE FARMERS.

"FEED THE FLOW."

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More Leisure on the Farm.

MORE PLEASURE IN ACTION THAN IN IDLENESS—MISCELLANEOUS—INTERESTING PLANNING—LOOKING AHEAD.

"Tell me how to have more leisure and you will have solved what I have found to be the greatest problem of my life," said a hard working farmer to a neighbor as he came to make a call and talk over matters of mutual interest.

Doubtless a great many people in all the land are in the same predicament. A few persons find the world all sunshine, but some are apt to forget what the sun and moon are made of.

It is a pretty common struggle, and yet it is a healthy, well balanced mind action gives far more pleasure than idleness. The discontented people I have known are those who have little to do except to contrive ways for amusing themselves.

Labor intelligently directed is never a curse. It is a blessing, but like the rain, it falls on all alike whether just or unjust. But not all are equally prudent and thoughtful in regard to their leisure.

There is an advantage in the blessings placed within reach by Nature. Too much rain may drown our lands and render them unfit for cultivation, and yet it is a blessing, for it is the rain that has been a property of the rain.

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The Heart's Highway.

MARY E. WILKINS.

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CHAPTER I.

IN 1882, when I was thirty years of age and Mistress Mary Cavendish just turned of eighteen, she and I to leave our Sabbath morning in the month of April were riding to meeting in Jamestown. We were all alone except for the troop of black slaves straggling in the rear, hurrying the road curiously with their black faces.

It seemed to me that we were in the land of the living dead. The road was a narrow strip of earth, and the houses were so close together that they seemed to be a part of the road.

The feeding of crops to animals and returning the resultant manures to the soil is a simple, the safest, the most profitable method of feeding land. By this system the farmer also gets a return to nature's bounty.

Commercial fertilizers have come to broaden the work of farming; to assist in maintaining the soil in a healthy condition, and to the profits of the farm. Their use does not lessen, but rather increases, the necessity of carefully husbanding the soil.

Therefore, the best and surest way of doing this, avoiding waste, and by proper application to the soil, getting the greatest possible return from the plant growing from a given amount of manure, becomes of great importance to us all.

The first step to be taken is to learn to appreciate the value of the soil. The soil is a precious thing, and it is the farmer's duty to take care of it.

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Feeding Cattle in the Fall.

Much has been said and written on the subject of cattle feeding, and the experiment stations have done much to help us in fixing rations. Each cattle raiser, however, claims to be the best.

I am one of those who by reading and studying the subject and by actual feeding have decided that for the average cattle raiser it is better to feed in the fall, writes E. J. Waterhouse in Farm and Fireside.

A plan that I have always found profitable is to keep the cattle on good grass during the summer, and as soon as the grass begins to turn yellow, to begin to feed green corn, feeding the whole stalk. Keep the cattle on grass through the whole fall.

Whole stalks are always a better ration than any other I have tried. They break the ears off and feed in troughs.

I begin about August 1st, and aim to keep them on this ration until the first of November. This gives me a short quick feed, and generally a good profit. There is more profit in feeding whole stalks than in any other method.

Some people think that a fall feed is a waste of money. They say that the cattle will not eat the whole stalk, and that they will not gain as much as they would on a more expensive ration.

But I have found that this is not true. The cattle will eat the whole stalk, and they will gain as much as they would on a more expensive ration. In fact, they will gain more.

The best feed to combine with corn in winter is something like clover or cowpeas. They are cheap and give good results.

Young cattle make the cheapest gains, the best meat and bring the best prices. We don't want three-year-old cattle, but we want young cattle.

Keep growing from a young calf until the market time. This plan gives a quick and good market for the corn and the whole stalk.

You can get more out of your corn by feeding it to young cattle than you can by feeding it to old cattle. The young cattle will eat more of it, and they will gain more.

It is a good plan to keep a few young cattle on your farm. They will give you a quick and good market for your corn, and they will give you a good profit.

There is no cow which will not respond to a good feed combination. They feed for growth and not for fat until it is time to fatten.

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