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While at Omaha at the swine show in October, 1916, I had *Mulford Refined Hog Cholera Serum* referred to me. I came home and arranged to have some of it used on my herd. Now in the first place, we get our hogs in a clean pen, and with our local veterinary surgeon, we wash the spot with disinfectant, and then give the treatment. Although we had very poor weather last fall when we gave the treatment, our pigs did not have a single abscess afterwards, and they did not seem to notice the treatment in the least. To say we are satisfied is putting it mildly. We have used five other serums with a more or less degree of success, but we feel the *Mulford Refined Serum* is by far the best we have ever used.

In June, we will treat all our young pigs again. We do not, and we will not, take any unnecessary chances with our great herd boars and sows, and we feel that *Mulford Refined Serum* is, by far, the safest insurance we can carry.

I will say, right here, that our herd was exposed to cholera several times in the fall and at the Chicago Fat Stock Show, and we have never had a pig off his feed at any time. I can safely recommend *Mulford Refined Serum*, because it has been so entirely satisfactory to us in every way.

HARRY T. CRANDELL
Cass City, Mich.

The above letter, written by one of America's most successful breeders, indicates the position taken by business-like hog breeders and progressive veterinarians everywhere.

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"LEST WE FORGET"

SAVE the wild fruit and berries. If the Lord offers us blackberries free for the picking, let's make use of them.

Keep the poultry house clean and free from lice. At present prices chickens mean money and should not be neglected.

A cloudless day is the artist's ideal. A cloudless field should be the farmer's.

Remember to thin the apples and peaches. If judiciously done it means more pounds of fruit.

Once again we are struck with the number of Southern farmers who are cultivating poor hillsides and letting rich bottoms grow nothing but weeds.

Fix a pasture for the calves. They can't run with the milk cows but they need to get exercise and have good pasturage just the same.

Don't kick at the price of sugar and keep your wife from making preserves and jellies. It is economy to save food in this way even if sugar is high.

A painted house, a barn painted or whitewashed, and the red, white and blue of "Old Glory" waving from the front porch—does your farm present this cheerful appearance to the passer-by? A flag doesn't cost much.

The turnip acreage should be increased this year. Turnips are fine for human consumption and are easy to grow. Many farmers fix a cowlot at this season of year in which the cows are milked and penned at night, using this rich spot for turnips in fall.

"Start early and work late, if need be, but rest a good long while after dinner," is a motto the farmer should keep in mind this hot weather. It doesn't pay to bolt meals or to begin work too soon after eating.

How about some furniture for the porch, lawn and garden? Here are some things that the handy man can make: rustic chairs, arbor seats, plant stands, lawn tables, garden benches, porch seats, swings, circular tree seats, etc.

"The best investment I ever made," said a farmer to us the other day, "was to spend five cents for Kentucky Wonder pole beans to plant in my corn. I selected a rich, moist spot in one of my fields and planted them. My wife used all the snaps we wanted, and besides I sold \$15 worth in the nearest town. I call that a pretty good investment!"

Tobacco farmers should study the experiments made with this crop. Mr. E. G. Moss, of the North Carolina Experiment Station reports that "if tobacco is harvested by priming instead of cutting the whole stalk, there will be an increase of marketable leaf of approximately 36.04 per cent. This means an average increase in money value of about \$49.03 per acre."

The farmer can't well get along without ice. By building a small storage house, packing the walls with dry sawdust, and having the floor well drained, he will find the use of commercial ice economical. By buying it in lots of one thousand pounds or more it can be secured reasonably cheap and will melt very slowly if well stored. Also purchase an ice cream freezer!

A GOOD BAG

Buffalo Bill, who said that with hard work a man should live to be a centenarian, talked, at a reunion of Kansas cavalymen, about straight shooting. "It is hard work to learn to be a good shot," he said. "We Americans are better shots than most," he continued. "A French prince visited me on my ranch once, and we went out after birds. I came back with a full bag, but when I asked the Prince what he had killed, he said proudly: 'Of so birds, none; they are too difficile; but of so wild cows and calves, I 'ave nine ovaiz so 'ill.'"



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