

of your readers will go and do likewise? The cost will not be great for an experiment.

WAKE.

FINE STOCK.

Among the treasures which Mr. Troye, the artist, brought from his recent explorations in oriental countries, is a veritable Arab mare. This animal, which was purchased for a stock importing company in Kentucky, is now in this city. She is a long, well knit, shapely creature, of a greyish color, about the average size, with very large and muscular thighs, and a marvelous elasticity in every movement. Her value is estimated at 10,000 dollars. This is the second mare of the desert which has been brought to this country. The first, also, imported by the Kentucky company, came in by way of New Orleans. An Arab is extravagantly fond of such animals. He would almost as soon think of selling his own child as the fleet and patient beast which has been reared in his own tent, is his tireless companion in desert journeys, and his most productive source of income. The best stock in the world come from Arabia, and the importation of original Arab mares to this country cannot fail to improve the American breed of horses.—N. Y. Jour. of Com.

HOW TO LAY OUT SURFACES.

To lay out an acre circle: First fix a centre, and with a rope as a radius, seven rods, three links and three eighths long, one end attached to the centre, and kept uniformly stretched, the sweep of it at the other end will lay out the acre.

For one quarter of an acre, a rope 3 rods and 14 links will be the right length.

For one eighth of an acre, a rope two rods and thirteen links will be enough.

Triangles: If you wish a triangle to contain just an acre, make each side 19 rods, 5½ links long.

A triangle whose sides are six rods long and twenty links long each, will contain one eighth of an acre.

To lay out an ellipse or oval: Set three stakes in a triangular position. Around these stretch a rope. Take away the stake of the apex of the triangle, which will be where the side of the oval is to come—move the stake along against the rope, keeping it tight, and it will trace out the oval.

A square, to contain an acre, or just one hundred and sixty rods, should have each of its sides just twelve rods, ten feet and seventeen-tenths long.

To draw an oval of a given size: The long and the short diameter being given—say twenty feet for the shorter, and one hundred for the longer—divide the short diameter into any number of equal parts, say ten, and from each point draw a line parallel to the long diameter; then divide the long diameter into the same number of equal parts (ten), and from each point draw a line parallel to the short diameter. Then draw a line from point to point where each corresponding line cuts the other, on the outside, and this connecting mark will describe the oval or the ellipse required.

For the Arator.

Do our lands need lime? This is an important question, and the farmers in North Carolina are deeply interested in finding the true answer. It is understood that Prof. Emmons has given it as his opinion that the soil about Raleigh is wanting in lime and would be greatly benefited by liberal application of it, and he is certainly good authority. Now, the land in the vicinity of Raleigh is a fair specimen of much "of the same sort," in Wake and the neighboring counties; all of which would be improved by lime. But another question of equal importance is, can we afford to use the lime, and where can we get it? The answer to this is, we can afford to use it, provided our railroad will bring it, as is its interest to do, at a very low or nominal cost for transportation. Oyster shell lime may be had in great abundance at Beaufort, our own seaport, which will soon be acces-