

The Farm.

HINTS FOR THE CARE OF HORSES.

At a recent meeting of the Farmers' Club of the American Institute in New York, G. W. Johnson read a paper on "The Horse," in which we find a number of hints regarding the management and care of that most useful of our dumb servants.

Mr. Johnson says that the French are the best authorities on the feeding of horses, and that they hold that, under any circumstances in the giving of food, age and condition should be taken into consideration.

When a horse is working hard, his main food should be oats. If he works but little, hay alone will answer. For a saddle or light carriage horse, half a peck of good oats and thirteen pounds of hay are sufficient.

The stable should always be well drained and sufficient light should be admitted. The vapors from a dark stable are not only bad for the horse, but they are also bad for the man.

THE MANNER OF SHOEING HORSES. Although this subject has engaged the attention of mankind from the earliest ages, in consequence of its importance, it is wonderful how little we have yet realized in the way of securing a covering for the horse's hoof which shall answer the purposes required.

THE HORSE AS A WALKER. In breeding horses we breed for trotters, racers, etc., but never for walkers—which is a great mistake, particularly if the horse is intended for the farm.

Let us look a little at this. A good walker will walk with ease four miles an hour; the best walkers will make five miles per hour. This is done with as much ease as the ordinary walker will make three miles.

Why Don't Farmers Keep Bees? Mr. Quinby, of St. Johnsville, N. Y., a high authority on everything pertaining to bee-keeping, says the AMERICAN BEE JOURNAL, discusses the above question in a paper read before the North-Eastern Bee-keepers' Association at its annual meeting.

To these reasons, quite sufficient in themselves to account for the fact that very few farmers keep bees, we would add another—namely, want of enterprise. There is a quality for which successful men of business are noted which is very scarce among farmers, and which we call "enterprise."

COMPARATIVE VALUE OF LIME AND WOOD ASHES.—The LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, replies to a correspondent who asks to know if lime is not as valuable as wood ashes as a fertilizer for grain crops.

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including of course, lime and gypsum. Wood ashes is, therefore, a fertilizer for all our crops. It contains ten to twenty per cent of phosphate of lime, besides potash, soda, magnesium, sulphur, phosphoric and carbonic acids, lime, silica, etc.

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