

Improved Method of Wintering Cows.

Mr. Linus W. Miller, of Stockton, N. Y., an experienced dairyman, advocates in a pamphlet entitled "Meal Feeding and Animal Digestion," a system of feeding cows during winter, which involves the use of but three quarts of meal per day.

Whatever may be the correct theory in this regard, results of actual practice appear to bear out Mr. Miller's views. The report of the committee appointed to examine into the Western New York Dairyman's Association, shows the following facts: The examination was conducted upon Mr. Miller's herd of Chautauqua county native cows, the average live weight of which was 900 pounds.

As regards the economy of meal feeding, Mr. Miller points out that one bushel of corn ground and tolled, will last an ordinary cow of 900 lbs. weight 12 days, and is equal to 250 pounds of hay.

Breeding Cows for Milk.

"Better to acquire greatness than to be born great," is an idea that needs to be impressed on farmers in more than one sense. Better to acquire riches or a competence than to be born with a silver spoon in the mouth.

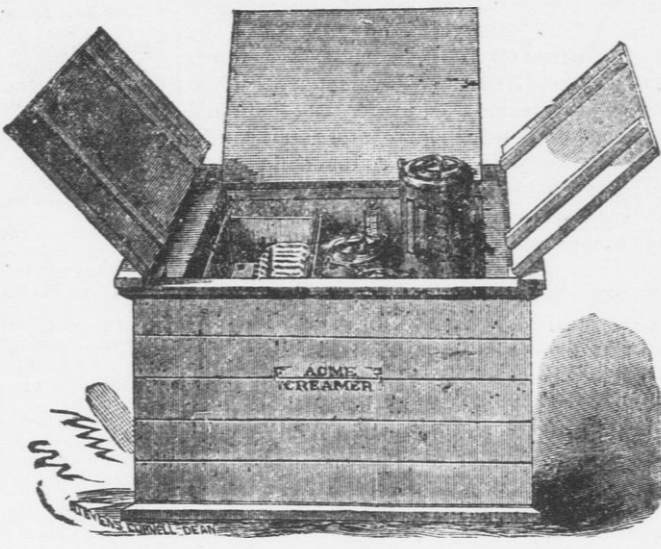
You may get seed corn when it has grown at the rate of one hundred and twenty-five bushels an acre, and dwarf it down to nibbins; and you may take a cow that under good feed will give thirty quarts of milk a day, and bring down her record to four quarts.

Feed the calf of the best imported stock on record at starvation rates, from the time it is dropped until it comes in, and the milk and butter record will fall down to one-fourth of what it would have been, had the calf been generously fed.

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Experiments prove, says the Germantown Telegraph, that in order to ensure the best growth of grass seed, it should be very slightly covered with earth.

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