## Agriculture, &c.,

#### COW-STABLE FLOORS.

Throughout the country not more than one barn in every ten can be found that contains a stable floor so constructed but that the cattle are compelled to lie in their own filth, and the sides, legs and udders of the cows are in a most untidy condition when the morning milking is done, and unless a great deal of washing and painstaking is practised the milk cannot be carried from the stable in its original pur-

Now but little work is required to remove the one great cause of discomfort to cattle in stalls, and the almost whole cause of having winter milk unplalatable and impure. A platform should be built for the cows to stand upon, extending far enough back from the stanchions to give sufficient standing room, and no more. In this way a dry, clean place to lie upon is sec-

There are different modes of making this platform. Where a new floor is being put in, a short part can be laid at the back, and the balance laid at an elevation of two or three inches above; the last, of course overlapping the

On floors already laid, a good way is to spike down two by three scantling a little back of where the hind feet will come, and fill the space between this and the stanchion sill with sawdust or dirt. This will make a good bed for the animals to rest upon, and it will also absorb all the moisture will not be contracted in sufficient amount to injure the floor below, unless stock other than cows are kept upon it.

Another good way is to lay down three strips of inch boards, and upon these lay the platform of two inch plank, giving an elevation of three inches. Air will circulate between the two floors and prevent rot. It is not economy to nail one floor to another without space between.

The best way to find the exact spot at which the platform should terminate is to go to the stable when the cows are in the stanchions and mark the distance which they require to stand upon. The object is to have the excrements drop upon the lower floor, leaving the platform elean and dry .- Ohio Farmer.

TRANSPLANTING EVERGREENS .- In this country probably the very best time of transplanting evergreens is in the spring, when the buds are beginning to swell and before they have pushed into growth. When transplanted late in the fall they are very liable to be killed by the win-

INK STAINS.—Poor mothers, who are so often betrayed into a fit of scolding, if not a fit of whipping, by your little girls coming home from school with aprons and perhaps gowns, all stained with ink, calm yourselves, and smooth your ruffled brows, for it is not of sufficient consequence to make it pay to scare your souls in such a manner, when by a single process you can remove every trace of it. Just wash it in sweet milk. If it is not removed by the first trial, repeat the process and it will be a sure thing.

CHEESE FROM ONE COW.—There are some people who would like to make a little cheese now and then if they knew how. An exchange gives them these instructions:

Take cool weather, either in Spring or Fall, when milk and cream will keep and when flies

Strain your milk in some deep vessel that will hold two milkings, in the morning skim slightly; warm the milk to blood heat add the water which has soaked a bit of rennet about two inches square over night; and as soon as stiff, cut with a knife; let it stand a few minutes, when you can put it into a cloth strainer and keep it until you accumulate as large a curd as your hoop will hold; when you chop the whole, scalding with hot whey, just so that it will give a cracking sound if chewed. Then add a little salt, sage or whatever you like and press. The whole operation need not require over an hour's time.

DUCK RAISING .- Less is known about the diseases of ducks than of fowls. They are, in our experience, best hatched by hens and kept in a dry pen for several weeks. Give plenty of grass frequently renewed, keep water always before them in shallow vessels, and feed often. A pen of boards a foot high, covered with laths nailed across the top, with one corner or one end covered, to exclude rain, is all-sufficient. This pen should be frequently shifted upon dry, glassy ground. If one is noticed moping, swelled up or out of sorts in any way, give soaked bread, and milk, red with Cayenne pepper. The best are Rounens Aylesbury, and Cayuga blacks. Points of excellence for common purposes are size and number of eggs.

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A correspondent of the Boston Cultivator says that warts on cows' teats may be readily removed by washing frequently in alum water made by dissolving two ounces of alum in a pint of soft water.

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Committee.

D FREEMAN April 28.

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