A BEAUTIFUL ARABIAN.

Horses That Were the Price of a Man's Ransom.

In the illustration is seen a Horse of one of the most beautiful Arabian stallions ever brought to this country. He is owned in Wisconsin. A romantic story is told of the Arabian band to which he belongs, the Nejdji-Hejjas. A noted sire of this horse several generations back was the Arab stallion Ghedin, the most highly prized horse in the stables of the viceroy of Egypt.

A Greek and warlike Bedouin chief, who taken prisoner by Mehemet Ali many years ago. He languished in confinement 25 years. On the occasion of Abbas to the Egyptian throne the Bedouin was set free by the viceroy on one condition. It was that he should bring

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to the royal stables a number of horses of the purest, choicest strain of the Nejdji-Hejjas Blood. He promised faithfully and was secretly liberated. He kept his promise and sent to Abbas some of the most precious horses in all Arabia, among them Ghedin, the sire four generations back of Siberia, the horse in the picture. The Arabian horses are noted for their wide forehead and fine, silky hair. The Russian Orloff gait his fifteen cost from his oriental blood. The Arabian has also always a heavy, flowing tail, slender legs, small feet and small head, which bestows very high, gliding kind an extremely refined look. By the way, how would Horace look with his tail cropped off? The Morgan horse is the country perhaps come nearest the Arabian blood of any of our American breeds.

Live Stock in February.

The farm work for February scarcely differs from that of the other winter months, excepting that the stock needs more care, particularly where the cows are to drop their calves in the early spring. As they grow heavy there is greater danger of injury from slipping, from blows and from copious drinks of cold water. Their grain ration should be reduced in quantity, and bearing foods, like oatmeal, cottonseed or linseed, should not be used, unless it be for old cows that have been heavily grained, but having been profile without, or from some other cause, have become thin in flesh. Even with these the ration should not be large, and the efforts should be carefully watched. The best hay is none too good for them or for the cows that are to drop lambs soon. Give them good hay with a few roots every day if they are on hand, and a little wheat bran if it seems to be needed to keep them in good condition.

Do not leave the ewes out in cold storms, neither allow them to suffer from a lack of exercise. It is to be hoped that it is known which ewes are likely to drop the early lambs, and about when they may be expected, and that they will be separated from the others and placed where they can be quiet, warm and protected from molestation from their mates and from dogs. A visit to the pen once or twice during the night may save valuable lambs.

The ewes are more often expected to farrow in March than in February, but there seems no good reason for this. Now that there seems to be a demand for pigs that will dress from 175 to 225 pounds when about 8 months old, there should be more county of their attaining a desirable weight if they appeared in February, and it is no more trouble to raise the February pig. With a comfortable, snug piggery the cold should not be an serious matter to us as would be in a cold wind in March, which seems to find out every crack and crevice, and if not actually at cold by the thermometer seems colder by a contrast with the few warmer days that occasionally appear. We would advise every farmer who keeps sows pigs to plan for his spring pigs in February and his fall pigs in July or August. The latter will then attain sufficient size and strength to continue growing well following during the winter, if given good warm quarters, comfortable beds and good food.

It may require a little more to make them fat than it would for the spring pigs, but it pays.—American Cultivator.

Statistics in the War of Extermination.

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