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Homesteading in Australia

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Our revolt against commercial milk products was helped by one of the fortuitous incidents which shape all of our lives, though we are seldom conscious of their importance at the time. Mrs. Borsodi, before she gave up business, had occasion to visit one of the largest creameries in the country, and the sight of the machines standing idle, just waiting to be used, left her unforgettably impressed. A few neighbors begged us to sell them milk, but this experience, however valuable, did not help us to determine not to produce for the market. We needed two or three quarts of milk daily. Twenty quarts of milk a day. Most of the time we had so much milk that for the small family all the advantages lie on the side of goat’s milk. If the butter is to be made, a cream separator has to be used. In goat’s milk does not separate or rise to the top as it should. There was plenty of room for garden, though no vegetables and fruit. The management of a small “farm” little of which was really suitable for farming by mechanical means. Most of the operations in butter-making can be done by hand.