THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

OUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Miscellaneous.

PASTURE-CORN-SILO. 1. What is the best mixture to sow on low ground for hay and pasture, and the amount per acre?

2. What is the best variety of corn to sow for a good yield of ears, the corn to be put through a cutter before being fed, and would you plant in hills or sow in rows?

3. Do steel silos give satisfaction? E. N.

Ans .-- 1. We presume a crop is wanted which is suited for either hay or pasture. If so, red clover 6 lbs., alsike, orchard grass, meadow fescue and timothy 3 lbs. each, would make a good seeding. This can be used as hay crop the following year, and pasture afterward. If the land is very low, try orchard grass, meadow fescue and red top, 4 lbs. each, and timothy, meadow foxtail, alsike and white clover, 2 lbs. each.

2. If a flint corn is required, Compton's Early, Longfellow, Genesee Valley, give fair yields of fodder, and good yields of grain. Salzer's North Dakota is a heavy fodder yielder. All things considered, we prefer planting in hills.

3. Steel silos have given fairly good satisfaction, but there has been difficulty in getting a suitable coating on the inside of the building to prevent rusting, etc.

UMBILICAL HERNIA.

I have a horse colt coming a year old in July; has a small navel rupture. would like to know whether I should have him operated on, or is there any other treatment I could do for this? I got a bottle of liniment from my veterinarian to rub on him, but it did not seem to do any good. G. W.

Ans.-In most cases nature effects a cure of umbilical hernia in foals or colts under one year of age. Apply a truss or bandage with an elevation about the size of half a baseball on it. Place so the elevation presses against the rupture. Arrange truss with straps or strings passing forward and attached to a strap around the colt's neck, so as to prevent truss from slipping backwards. Keep the truss on for three or four weeks, and if this does not effect a cure, have your veterinarian operate. Most veterinarians use a clam in cases that a truss will not cure. It is applied by casting and securing the colt on his back, returning the intestine carefully into the abdomen

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